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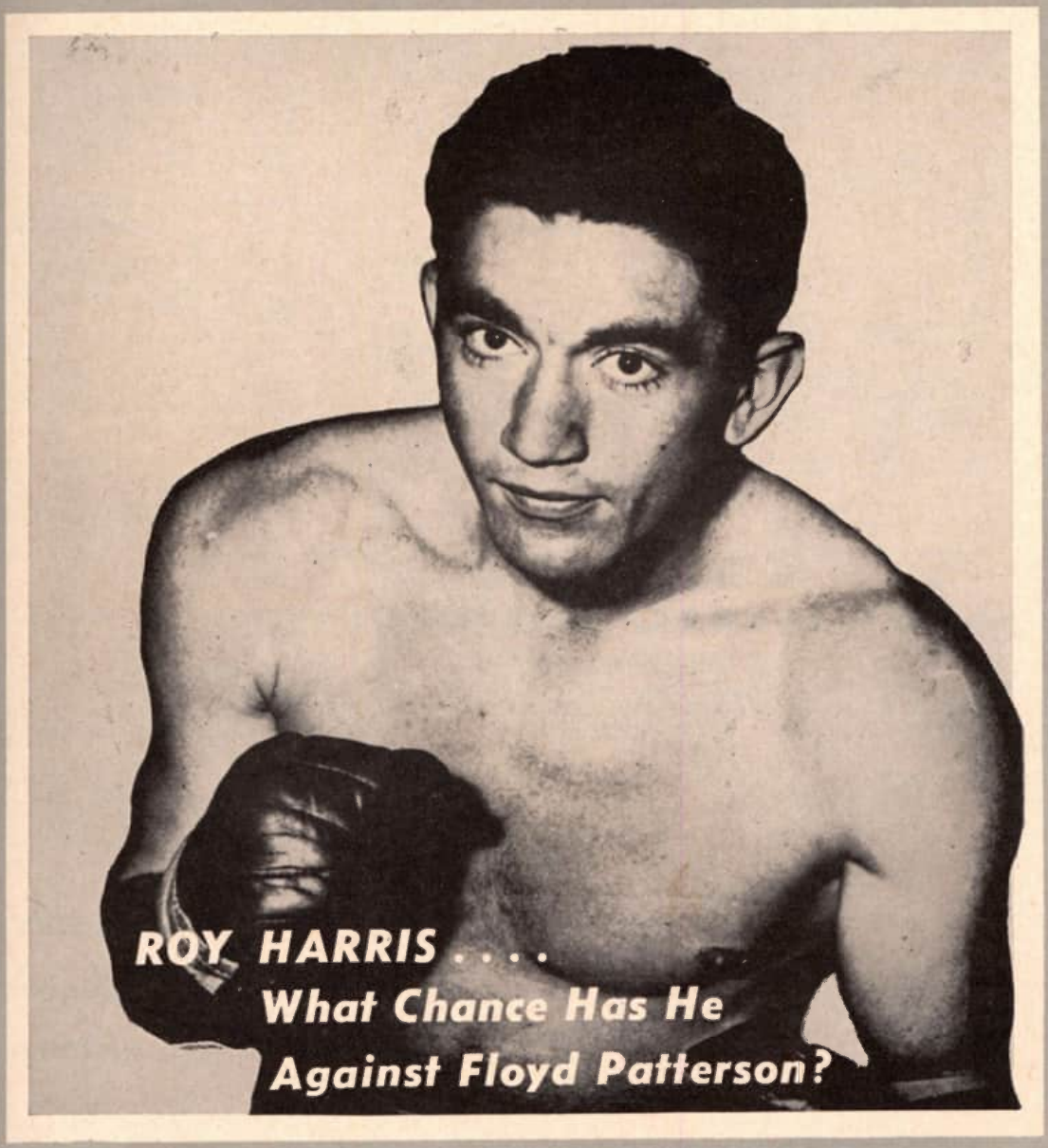

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FROM OUR READERS

THANKS FOR THE MEMORY

Gentlemen:

Received my copy of the 1958 Ring Record Book and Boxing Encyclopedia and like always in the preceding 15 years I would not part with it for 10 times the price if it were not possible for me to get another. I am proud of the autographed lines, *"To John Bruen, Sr. one of the oldest readers of my magazine, Best Wishes From Nat Fleischer"*.

In my most prized possessions I hold my collection of books on boxing, boxers, and especially "The Ring" magazines as the most valuable. I have every copy of this leading boxing publication since the January 1927 issue plus a few earlier ones from 1923. In my collection I have all the biographies of great fighters written by you or advertised in the Ring.

I am proud of having had 10 of my letters published in your magazine dating from the first one in the June 1932 issue and the last one certainly gave me a thrill when you published it with a picture of the Black Prince of Pugilism, Peter Jackson in the March issue wherein I took up the cudgel in behalf of Peter Jackson, Sam Langford and George Dixon when they had failed to make the Hall of Fame.

Back in the 30's I lived in a two family house on a trotting race horse breeding farm, the Silver Spring Stock Farm where I took care of the breeding sires of Bingura and Sim Kohl and harness broke the yearlings. One day the lady in the other apartment started a quick fire in her kitchen range and the chimney and upstairs caught fire. The alarm was sent in and by the time the fire trucks arrived, I had carried all my collection of Ring magazines and books to a place of safety, neglecting all the other items in the house.

My wife was fit to be tied while she and others were racing in and out of house carring clothes, furniture etc., I was toting my books and placing them at a safe distant.

As I told my folks, I could always buy the other things but there was no replacing my books, magazines and scrap books on boxing.

John Bruen Sr., Goshen, N. Y.

A GOTCH HOLD

Dear Sirs;—

In a recent issue of Ring magazine, you tell of Hackenschmidt being in New York. Re his match with Frank Gotch he is quoted as saying, *"It might have ended differently if I hadn't injured my knee in practice immediately before the match."*

The immortal Gotch isn't here today, nor his great teacher. Farmer Burns, and therefore it is very unfair for Hack to make such a statement; If Gotch were here he would say, no doubt, as he said then, *"I was naturally very pleased with this victory and yet I was disappointed that the fans weren't given a better run for their money"*.

How well most of us remember before this great match when Gotch was told that Dr. Roller, a close friend and great wrestler, who was training Hack, to be on the alert against Gotch's most potent holds, the grapevine, which Gotch decoyed an opponent into for his deadly crotch and half nelson for a pin, and the famous toe hold which was always a 'stopper hold,' Gotch said, *"Let Roller coach Hack all he pleases but as sure as can be, I promise you, 'I'll beat Hack with at least one of those holds and win this match!'"*

Gotch didn't only win with one of those holds but won with both of them when he pinned Hack. The first fall with the crotch and half nelson after feinting him into same with the grapevine and the second fall with his famous toe hold. . . .

Even though Gotch has been gone these past forty some years and even though Hack is still with us, Gotch will always be remembered and admired as the greatest wrestler the world has ever known.

Ivor Remington, Castle Rock, Col.

P.S. An inscription on the statue and monument recently unveiled at Humboldt, Iowa reads "His equal on the mat was never known"

IT'S NEFARIOUS

Dear Editor:

I have been following fights since the Sullivan-Corbett days and I've always been an ardent enthusiast. But I have lost interest since television has come to the home. I cannot understand why so-called capable referees keep hopping between the fighters, pulling them here and there to part them, instead of doing what a capable official is supposed to do—issue an order to break and see that it is done. There is entirely too much interference and commissions should halt it by disqualifying referees who tug the men for a break.

Recent decisions, in addition, especially in New York and in California, have been rotten to the core. I'm fed up on the manner in which commissions have let boxing down. The fight investigation in New York, like that recently in California, has been an eye opener for fight fans.

What's wrong with boxing? Commission incompetency and poor officiating plus the control of the sport as the New York and California investigations have shown, by the mobsters.

E. Hollister, Delavan, Wisconsin.

PHEW PHEW!

Dear Sir:

You think some of the TV decisions are rotten? The Giardello-Giambra verdict was more rotten by far than any of the TV gems. I don't see how anyone could possibly have seen Giambra the winner, as did referee Jack Downey and Judge Jack Silver. I admit Giambra won three of the last four rounds, but that's all.

Throughout the first six rounds, Giambra seemed hesitant about getting into the fight, punching only when Giardello was off balance or in close, and even then he was wild. Meanwhile, Giardello was scoring frequently and solidly.

Our San Francisco judges, with their two recent terrible decisions—Machen-Folley the other—are trying desperately to stop the movement of the name fighters to the West (San Francisco in particular) and they could easily succeed. No big fighters are going to want to come to San Francisco if it becomes "the city where you can't get an even break," no matter how bright the financial prospects look.

The mere thought of Giambra standing in the middle of the ring with his hand raised in victory makes me ill.

Bill Shilstone, Redwood City, Calif.

I LIKE IT!

Sirs:

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Gerd Rietenhauer, Frankfur-am-Main, Germany.

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IN OUR NEXT ISSUE

Floyd Patterson comes out of the moth balls to defend his heavyweight championship after a lapse of slightly under a year since his last defense against Pete Rademacher. His fight with Roy Harris, the undefeated challenger from Cut and Shoot, Texas, will be covered by Nat Fleischer, who will give The Ring readers not only an analysis of the bout but what the future portends for the winner. The Ring photographer will also be at ringside to bring you a complete pictorial coverage.

Bobby Scanlon, a hot lightweight prospect from San Francisco, California, who has won thirty-one straight fights and appears headed for bigger things will have the interesting story of his life printed exclusively in The Ring October Issue.

Yvon Durelle, a challenger for the light heavyweight title, who recently halted the hopes of Mike Holt, African Champion, in his bid for Durelle's Empire title will be biographed with the highlights of his life in photos.

As we go to press Joe Brown, lightweight champion of the world puts his title on the line against a top southpaw, Kenny Lane. The Ring will bring you pictures and coverage of this bout which brings into the ring a champion, who with his four straight knockouts in as many defenses of his crown, has revitalized that division.

In addition to the many special features The Ring will also have its usual stories and news on wrestlers and wrestling matches, television, servicemen, and latest results and news on boxing events around the world. Also . . . don't forget there will be pictures galore!

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"FAST AND EARLY:" FLOYD

By DAN DANIEL

IN AN INTERVIEW WITH THE PRESS, PATTERSON INDICATED HE WAS WITHOUT DEFINITE DOPE ON HIS HEAVYWEIGHT TITLE CHALLENGER.

GOING into his title defense against Roy Harris, Floyd Patterson found himself in a situation without parallel in the history of the heavyweight championship. For the second consecutive time, he had been in a similar situation when he faced the battle with Pete Rademacher in August, 1957, Patterson was confronted with a challenger about whom he knew virtually nothing insofar as valuable information on style and method was concerned.

Interviewed in his training camp at Oceanside, Cal., Patterson discussed the possibility of eleventh-hour planning based on reports of scouts who had watched Harris work out at Arrowhead, Cal. But this was to be the only information on which Patterson, Cus D'Amato, his manager, and Dan Florio, his trainer, could set up any definite plans of attack and defense.

"I have had nothing but a mass of conflicting reports on Harris," Patterson said. *"Some competent critics say he stands up, some say he jabs, some say he won't jab, some say he is hard to get to, some, easy to hit, some insist he is a hard hitter, others tell me he can't deliver a really powerful punch.*

"So conflicting are all these advices, that I prefer to set a plan of my own—hit him hard and often, and end it as early as possible."

Asked if the fact that Roy was going into the fight unbeaten, with 22 fights, nine of them knockouts, impressed him, Floyd replied, *"Yes, some. I believe he will be tougher than Rademacher. However, I will enter the ring in better shape than I was in for the Seattle fight.*

"I have seen Harris only in an exhibition, and that was not very hopeful," Patterson continued. *"I have studied no movies of Harris because there are none of his fights.*

"I am working on the assumption that the fight could go fifteen rounds. Roy is strong and I always train with the belief that it could go the limit."

When asked if he felt he had improved since the six round knockout of Rademacher, Floyd replied, *"Yes, I believe I am a better fighter now. In any event, I am going to fight like I have improved.*

"Am I influenced by the fact that Bob Baker knocked Harris down? Not exactly. Any time an experienced fighter weighing 218 pounds goes into a ring, he has a chance to deck his man.

"True, in his last ten fights, Baker has not floored anybody. But his long, wild right could do it.

"Now, Harris is supposed to be awkward. Be that as it may, the way to fight him is to be in top shape. That I will be in, without any question.

"I am told that Harris does not fight inside. How important is that? Suppose that up to now he has not had to do any infighting?

"Roy's chief assets are strength and condition. I never have entered a ring outdone in condition.

"Is it possible that I will find the Los Angeles air, with possible smog, a handicap? No. I knocked out Cal Brad and Jimmy Slade in that city in succession in the Fall of 1955.

"I plan to enter the ring weighing between 185 and 188 pounds, as against 182 when I beat Moore on November 30, 1956," Patterson went on.

When he was asked if there was any possibility of his year's layoff hurting his timing, Floyd said that he had had no difficulties along that line.

"Of course, it goes without saying that I would rather fight much more often. I would be a better fighter. Lacking fights, I go right on training. Have I had any secret workouts? Not

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By JOHHNY SALAK

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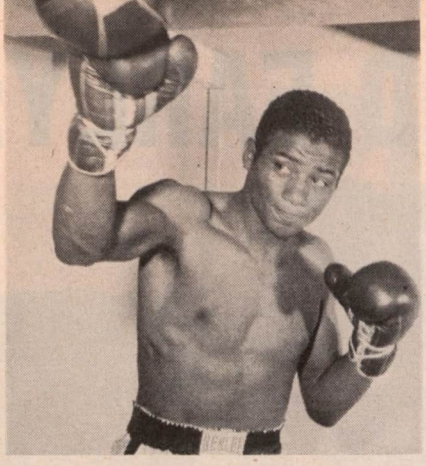


Floyd Patterson, World Heavy-weight Champion

Roy Harris, Challenger

PACKS SURPRISE FACTOR

NOW that all the side issues have been settled and we finally have a promoter, purse percentages have been approved, a venue and date have been selected, and television rights have been sold to the highest bidder, let us take a look at who is fighting for the world heavyweight championship. For too long a time they were suffled into the background, lost in a maze of confusion, words and Cus D'Amato.

It's Floyd Patterson vs. Roy Harris! Now, once more, slowly—very slowly. Floyd Patterson, champion. That's right, isn't it? And Roy Harris, challenger, from the now second largest state in the Union.

The bout, scheduled for Wrigley Field, Los Angeles, on August 18, one William P. Rosensohn promoting, is an intriguing one. Harris is virtually unknown outside the confines of the Lone Star State and Patterson, for a champion, is not too widely known.

We are reliably assured, however, that there are two such persons as the champion and challenger. In fact, we have seen sworn statements to the effect. This alone should encourage the sale of tickets to the fight and herd some people out of their homes and into the theaters for the telecast of the bout.

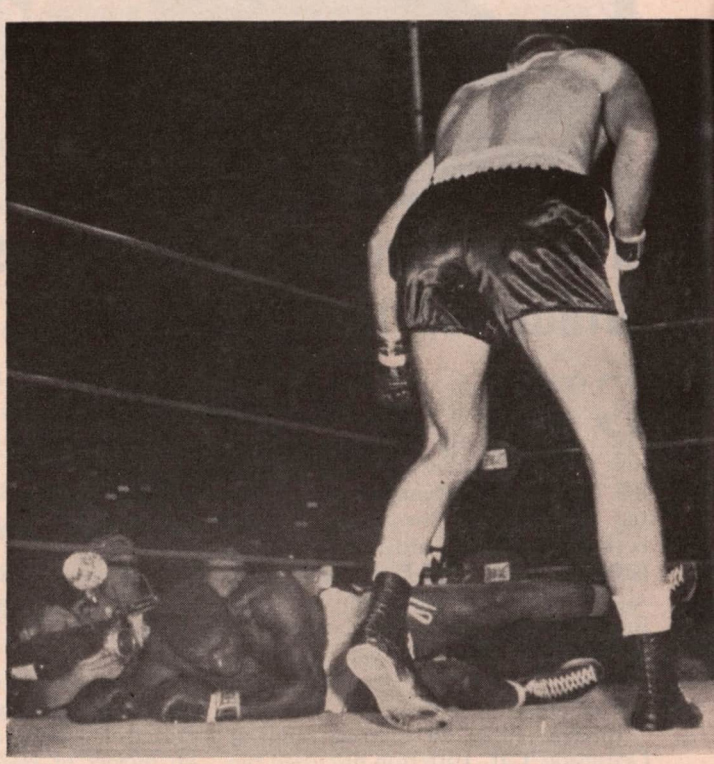
It should be a good one, all things considered. Patterson, probably least recognized of all heavyweight champions, is also, no doubt, under-rated. Fault him where you will, the maneuvering of his braintrust, his supposed lack of activity, and his choice of challengers, the fact still remains that he has an outstanding record, with only one questionable loss to mar it, and that he has taken care, in workmanlike manner, of all who have stood in his path to the title.

That he has not fought the present top three challengers —he kayoed No. 4 (Archie Moore) and defends against No. 5 (Roy Harris) is more due to a policy war between two factions rather than any personal fear or reserve on Patterson's part.

There have been heavyweight champions in recent times who have been less active than Floyd and there have also been champions who selected challengers far down the list, with less dependable reason than Patterson.

A good boxer who carries a stunning punch, albeit that at times he reverts to something less than the classic style of fighting, Patterson need not take a back seat for anyone.

The cry often is heard, "*Gosh, what Dempsey would have done to him! Or Joe Louis!*" Well, possibly. But these are



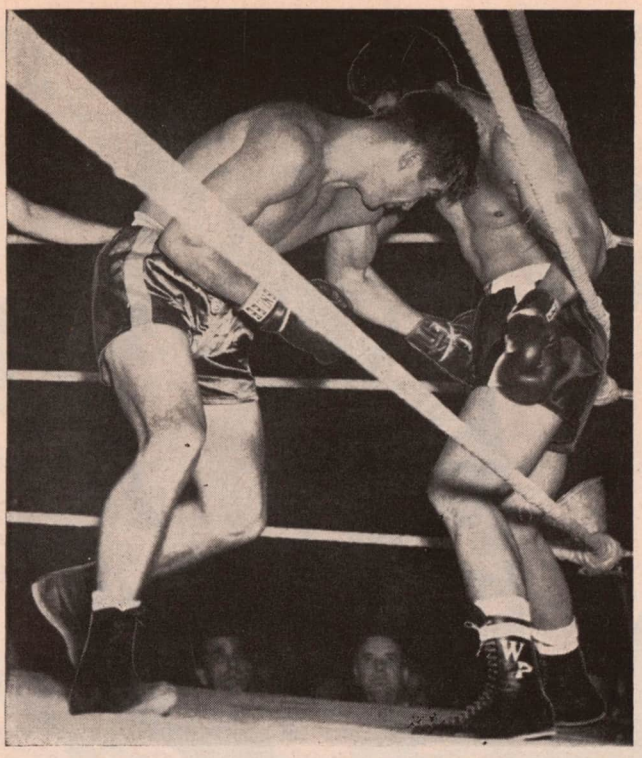
Floyd Patterson, on the floor from a right cross landed by Pete Rademacher, the Olympic star, in the champion's last defense. If an amateur like Pete could do this to the champ, why can't unbeaten challenger Roy Harris reputed as a solid right puncher turn the trick?

the all-time greats who annihilate Patterson in phantom bouts, standing head and shoulders, above all others.

Floyd is no great fighter, but we do know that he is a good one. A capable one, who has proved his right to hold the world heavyweight championship and is about to defend that right. Little else can be asked of him.

If potentially he is a great fighter, he will have a tough time ever trying to prove it, the times and circumstances, more than anything else, defrauding him of the opportunity.

What could Patterson do to prove greatness? In that department he is licked before he starts. Should he go on to stop every one of the leading contenders, he might gain



Roy Harris drives clever Willie Pastrano into the ropes with his two-fisted attack that handed Willie his only loss in the past five years. Harris' punching speed and stamina should extend the champion to the limit. He's a good defensive fighter.

some supporters, but only a few, with the question asked, "Well, whom did he beat?"

Similar queries could be raised about many listed among the greats. Could not Dempsey's title opponents be listed as washed-up, built-up, fed-up and virtually dug-up? Could Joe Louis' challengers bear careful scrutiny now that the fever has died out and a more studied analysis of their shortcoming and attributes be made? Could most of Louis' title bouts be justified as title defenses?

It would appear, then, that ability and performance alone are not the prime yardsticks used in measuring greatness. With the proper added length of color and luck a good fighter can blossom into a great one.

For the present, and with this title defense in particular, Patterson has everything going for him. While Harris cannot be considered a made-to-order challenger, even the champion's top detractors concede that somewhere along the line Patterson will have sufficiently hurt his man and set him up for the final payoff. He has youth, stamina, speed, punch, willingness and determination—all that Harris has—only more.

Undefeated Harris, on the other hand, holds one trump card which could upset Patterson and the applecart. Those who have viewed him in action have described the Texan as "awkwardly clever," a phrase, perhaps, on which the fight and Harris may hinge.

Few fighters who did not hold to the accepted style of fighting were ever able to make substantial headway. Sometimes, though, one of these unorthodox-styled fighters produces the most amazing of results against a good fighter who never knew what hit him.

The big drawback with being an awkward fighter—or even an "awkwardly clever" fighter—is that he will most often tangle himself up sufficiently for a good fighter to box rings around him or set him up for the kill. But the Awkward One still carries the potential of doing the completely unexpected, which with a fortunate combination of moves and punches, could place his opponent in a very embarrassing and "awkward" situation.

Despite this failing, Roy has been described as a good defensive fighter, who jabs and backs off. He is pitifully weak at in-fighting and has a habit of holding and clinching a lot. The dynamite, what there is of it, is supposed to be in his right hand, which he uses with reluctance.

Harris throws a looping right, more noted for its power than accuracy. It is a potent weapon, if it connects. If he has a man hurt, he will rush in, punching from all angles. There too, unfortunately, accuracy is lacking, which lessens the effect of any barrage he might unloose.

Jack Dempsey, the Old Manassa Mauler, refereed one of Harris' early fights and at the time thought he was a good prospect who would improve. On the eve of the championship battle, Dempsey was more cautious and handed the challenger a left-handed compliment when he said, *"Harris could be the best Patterson has taken on with the exception of Archie Moore.. I don't know how good Moore was the night Patterson beat him. Hurricane Jackson was nothing and Peter Rademacher was an amateur."*

Chris Dundee, Miami Beach promoter, who is associated with Willie Pastrano, loser to Harris, was one of the few who came out strongly for the Texan.

"He's the next champion in fifteen rounds," said Chris. Mr. Dundee, who felt that Pastrano did not get the best call in the world when the decision went against Pastrano on June 11, 1957 at Houston, has been extremely eager to get Harris to fight Pastrano again, this time in Florida.

The American manager of Willi Besmanoff, who also lost to Harris in Texas last year, felt that his man would have received no worse than a draw if the fight had been held anywhere but in the Lone Star State. The manager, Jersey Jones, realizing the limitations of his fighter, said, *"If my boy could give Harris real trouble, that means that anyone can give Harris trouble."*

Harris, who has not fought since the Besmanoff bout last October due to his doing a six-months hitch in the Army, could be a question mark on that account alone. As fight-time rolls around, Patterson will have been inactive for a year, though he has been in almost constant training or on exhibition tours. This, though, is a poor substitute for a real test in the ring. The effectiveness of both fighters can have been seriously impaired by their inactivity.

This does not shape up as a titanic struggle. The world heavyweight championship will be at stake and there is a faction war for control of the championship behind the scenes.

What then can we expect of the fight? The unexpected. If not a great fight, then one determindely fought. Both fighters are dedicated men. Harris knows that as he makes the long trek from home to California to do battle the eyes of Texas are upon him. A man is not disgraced in Texas for losing. But they are mighty particular about the type of fight a man puts up.

Could Harris, should he fold suddenly or fight an inept, cautious, back-pedalling bout, ever be able to face up to his neighbors in the Land of the Giants? We doubt it. That makes us just as certain that, whatever the previous reports on Harris have been, the fight will find him in an aggressive, all-out effort.

Strong and game enough, there is no other course Harris can take in his bid for the title, always with the possibility that a well-timed, "awkwardly clever" right can land the title.

Nobody knows what Patterson's feelings are concerning what amounts to a "bad press" for him, despite the fact that he is almost universally (outside of Texas) picked to win.

Floyd is not the most talkative of fighters. But we know he has faith in his manager, is sold on what Cus D'Amato is trying to accomplish, and is content with the financial rewards which have come his way through the maneuvering

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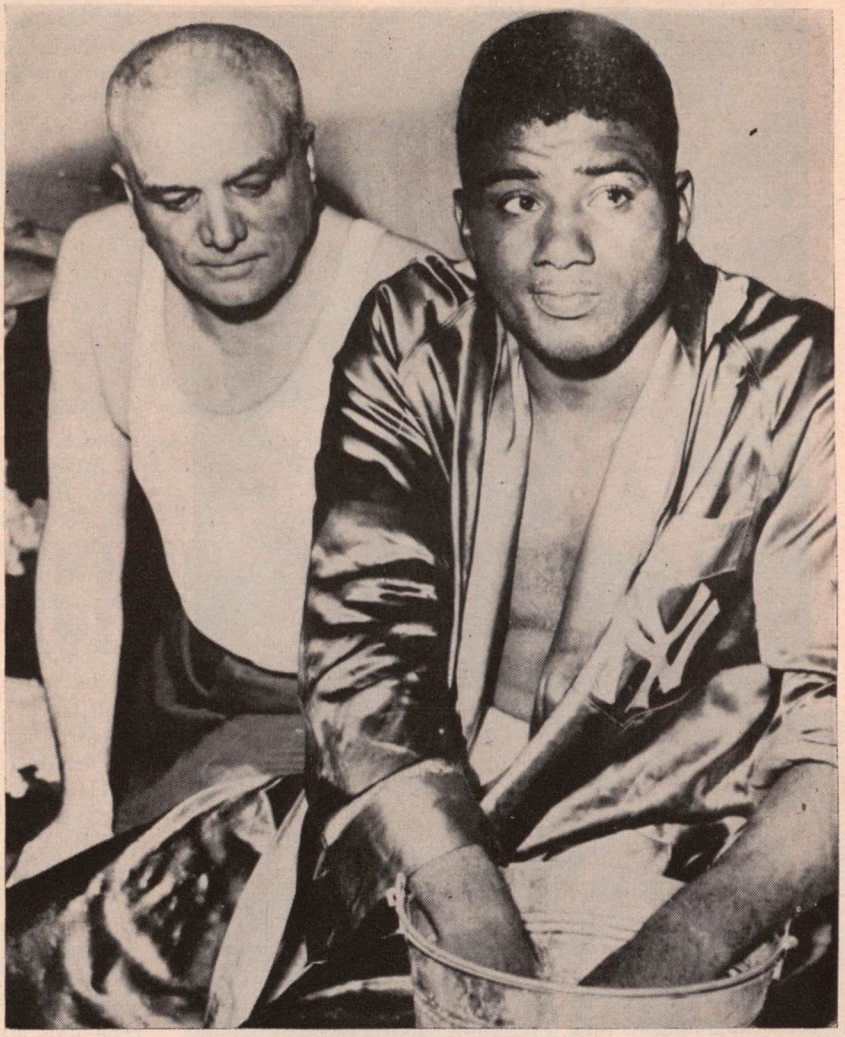
Promoters and Their Champions

By AL BUCK



Cus D'Amato, the guiding light behind the rise to the crown of Floyd Patterson, shown with his charge. Floyd will set a record for recent years in that all four of his title bouts will have been fought for different promoters. Many believe Patterson needs one promoter.

Floyd Patterson, Heavyweight Champion Of The World Like Dempsey, Louis And Marciano Is In Need Of A Promoter.

DOES the fighter make the promoter, or should the order be reversed? The question is who comes first, like the chicken and the egg? One thing is clear, great fighters have great promoters. They go together like ham and eggs.

Jack Dempsey had Tex Rickard, Joe Louis had Mike Jacobs, and Rocky Marciano had Jim Norris. Each was what the other needed, but such as Jack Kearns, Jack Blackburn and Al Weill made contributions that can't be overlooked. This brings us to Floyd Patterson, present world heavyweight champion, and Cus D'Amato, his manager.

D'Amato is to Patterson what Kearns was to Dempsey in the early years, and what Weill was to Marciano throughout the latter's fighting career. Blackburn, the old fighter and veteran trainer, was a greater influence on Louis than either of his managers, John Roxborough and Julian Black.

In fact, once Louis signed a 10 year contract giving Jacobs the exclusive rights to his services, it was Uncle Mike who called the shots.

What Patterson has lacked, at least up to now, is a promoter. It could be that TelePrompter Corporation is destined to be his Rickard or his Jacobs in a rapidly changing world. Irving Kahn, president of TelePrompter, is a showman by profession, rather than a fight promoter, but there is a similarity. The showman must promote. The promoter must be a showman.

TelePrompter is not the promoter of record of Patterson's title defense against Roy Harris, the challenger from Cut'N Shoot, Texas, at Wrigley Field, Los Angeles, August 18. William P. Rosensohn has that distinction, and he insists he is using his own money up to $100,000. Nevertheless he is a former vice-president of TelePrompter, and it is generally assumed that closed circuit TV, otherwise the Kahn corporation, is backing the fight financially since it has full control of both the TV and the movies of the fight.

Louis was nothing more than a mid-western sensation, when Jacobs, fighting to take over boxing at Madison Square Garden, filled a railroad car with

New York sports writers, and attached it to a Detroit bound express. Once there, they got their first look at Louis in a 10 round bout with Natie Brown.

For those who consider boxing a pre-arranged spectacular, Louis had to knock out Brown. That he didn't is a testimonial to his and Jacobs' honesty. Mike Jacobs was smart enough to know a fixed fight was bad for his business. He never cared who won so long as the public got a good, honest contest. This was the rule throughout his career and also that of Louis.

Even though Brown succeeded in going the limit, Louis impressed the visiting sports writers. Jacobs signed him, first to fight Primo Carnera, and later to fight for him exclusively. It may seem strange today, but what sold Joe's managers, Roxborough and Black, was Jacobs' assurance he would not have to lose just because he was a Negro.

No Negro had been permitted to fight for the heavyweight championship since Jess Willard reestablished *"white supremacy"* by knocking out Jack Johnson in 1915. Twenty years later Jacobs promised Louis he would have that chance.

When Jacobs redeemed his pledge two years later, and Louis knocked out James J. Braddock, the color line was broken for all time. The way was paved for Ezzard Charles, Jersey Joe Walcott and Patterson to rise to the top of their trade. For this they should be forever grateful to Jacobs and Louis.

Of course Louis had to do his part in the ring. Here Blackburn was important. The old fighter had Joe's confidence, and he knew how to develop the youngster's natural talents.

The end result was Louis became one of the all-time great champions. Jacobs, through his control of the champion, was able to force open the doors of the Garden. They needed each other. Neither could have done it alone.

The climax of the partnership was reached in 1946, when Louis and Billy Conn, both just out of the Army, drew $1,925,564, the second largest gate on record.

Illness forced Jacobs into retirement, and eventually Norris, a man of great wealth, bought out his interests in the Garden. Shortly before that, Louis had cast his lot with the millionaire promoter.

Norris hired Al Weill as matchmaker, which was a good choice. Weill had a young heavyweight named Marciano and while it violated commission rules, Al went right on managing him. Al was in a good position to advance Rocky's career.

Marciano was brought up through the ranks until undefeated, he was the logical challenger. In the most thrilling heavyweight title battle I have ever seen, he knocked out Walcott to become world champion. Throughout his career Marciano fought exclusively for Norris.

High tide for Marciano and Norris came when the heavyweight king knocked out Ancient Archie Moore three years ago. The title battle at the Yankee Stadium grossed $948,117.95. The theatres across the Nation, showing the fight on TV, took in $1,250,000. Marciano retired undefeated, and while Norris didn't know it at the time, he was destined to promote only one more heavyweight title fight.

The elimination following Marciano's retirement eliminated only Hurricane Jackson. Eventually Patterson stopped Moore to be crowned champion in a bout promoted by Norris' International Boxing Club. Soon it developed that D'Amato was at odds with Norris, who has been forced into retirement by an ailing heart.

Patterson's first defense against Jackson was promoted by Emil Lence, owner of Eastern Parkway Arena, and dress manufacturer. The little dressmaker promoted most of Patterson's early fights at the Parkway, and he did moderately well with the champion and Jackson. Following his victory at the Polo Grounds, Floyd went out to Seattle and defended the title by knocking out Peter Rademacher, the Olympic champion.

Jack Hurley, veteran manager, was D'Amato's choice to promote this strange contest. Never before had an amateur champion without any professional experience fought for the world heavyweight championship. The result, it should be added, was inevitable.

Hurley is involved in the Patterson-Harris promotion, having been called in to assist Rosensohn, who might be described as an amateur promoter. Like Rademacher Rosensohn is starting at the top.

The trend appears to be in the direction visualized by Jacobs, who believed fights could be promoted anywhere and carried into arenas all over the country via television. Mike never thought in terms of what is called home TV.

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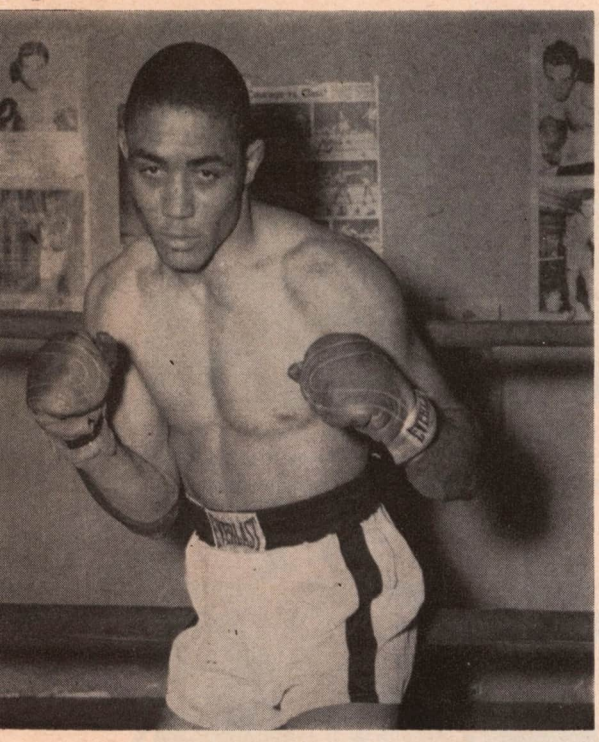
Joe Louis and Mike Jacobs talk things over. With the rise of Louis to the heavyweight throne Mike's promotional empire was built. It was Mike who developed Louis and brought back the million dollar gate to boxing.

Jack Kearns, Jack Dempsey and Tex Rickard, the mighty trio of Fistiana during "The Roaring Golden Twenties".

Jim Norris, Charley Johnston, Rocky Marciano and Al Weill gaze at a photo of Archie Moore, Rocky's last opponent before his retirement. It was Weill, as matchmaker and later manager of Marciano, who helped to build the present I.B.C. setup into the "big" monopoly.



Gene Armstrong, Elizabeth, N. J., middleweight threat. Gene unbeaten in fourteen straight fights hopes to follow in the footsteps of townsmen Mickey Walker and Freddie (Red) Cochrane to a world championship. He's on the way!

By FRED EISENSTADT

BIOGRAPHY

Gene "Ace" Armstrong

IT does not always follow that a boxer with an impressive record necessarily be an impressive performer. A ringman with a poor record is often more entertaining.

In the case of Gene "Ace" Armstrong, the undefeated young middleweight also displays consummate pugilistic skill while providing the fans with thrills and excitement.

Gene's jab is fast, his hook sharp and hard; his right is dangerous. To sum it up, Armstrong is a proficient man with boxing gloves.

Gene became a main event performer after showing in a few prelim bouts and several semi-finals. Of his 14 pro contests, five were of the stellar event variety. His last victim, at this writing, was the rugged ring veteran Charley Josephs. The tussle took place at the St. Nicholas Arena on February 17, and Armstrong proved himself by outboxing, outfighting and outmaneuvering his seasoned rival in practically every round. It was on the merits of this sterling victory that RING Magazine saw fit to place Gene "Ace" Armstrong in its monthly ratings.

"But when Gene obtained a pro license," informed Armstrong's trainer and manager, Willie Robinson, during the interview at the writer's home, *"it did us no good. We couldn't get any fights. All we got were vague promises or blunt refusals. It sure was discouraging."*

Fortunately both Gene and Willie had the sense to realize that the climb up the hill of success is strewn with inunmerable obstacles, that only the brave and persistant eventually reach the top. So with patience and determination the pair continued the arduous struggle. . . .

But to trace the Gene "Ace" Armstrong saga from the beginning: Born in Pickinville, Alabama, on Jan. 7, 1932, he was christened Genorace. He is the fifth child of six brothers and one sister. His father, Tucker Armstrong, has been dead a long time. *"Such a long time, in fact,"* said the boxer, *"that I don't remember anything about him. My mother—her name is Willie Lee and she's of French and Indian extraction—moved with us kids to a town in Mississippi called Tupelo 23 years ago. Later we all came to Ardmore, Oklahoma."*

Genorace played football in High School from which he was graduated and where he'd taken manual arts.

Ten years after Tucker Armstrong passed away. Willie Lee married a man named Prince Walker. *"And he's a prince of a fellow,"* punned Genorace.

Sipping a chilled glass of lemonade, Gene, who has a keen sense of humor—related that at the age of ten he and his younger brother Eddie, a rugged 142-pounder boxing under different management, used to fight each other daily. *"We didn't stop at fighting one another,"* Armstrong added. *"We fought all the kids who were willing to trade punches."*

At 19, young Armstrong left home and came to live with his brother Chester, in Linden, New Jersey—and went to work with a construction gang. Though he'd never boxed, he aspired to enter the ring. Having heard about Willie Jackson—that he developed ringmen—Genorace telephoned him and asked to have a talk. *"I was invited to come up,"* related Gene, finishing his lemonade. *"In Willie's house I met his sister-in-law, a lovely girl named Alice Tucker. Well, from that moment on I only half heard what Willie was saying and scarcely looked at him, my eyes and mind being on the girl. By the time I left, my heart was with her also. We would've married right soon, but realizing we were too young to take such a serious step so quickly, Alice and I decided to go around together a while to make sure we wanted each other. In two years—on September 29, 1952—we married."*

The day following Armstrong's visit to his home, Robinson had him in the gym. For 3 months Willie instructed him on stance, proper movements, the way to punch, how to roll with blows, defense, etc. Then, in 1951, he entered his protege in the Newark Golden Gloves. Genorace won the 160-pound title that year and also in 1952. By the time 1953 rolled around, the lad had scored 38 victories

in forty contests.

"In January, that year," disclosed the boxer, *"I was drafted into the Army. I took basic at Fort Dix and 3 months later won the First Army middleweight championship at Camp Kilmer. And get this,"* he added, grinning. *"While I was in the ring, fighting, my wife was giving birth to our first baby, Pamela."*

Shortly afterward, at Camp Atterbury, Indiana, Armstrong boxed in an All-Army tournament and—as Willie Robinson put it—*"a hotly disputed decision in the finals."* In October, that year, the draftee was shipped to Germany—going with the Occupation Troops. He boxed all over Europe, winning 58 of sixty contests. Returning home in January, 1955, Genorace was discharged as a corporal.

"After a few months' rest," revealed Gene, gazing at his empty glass—which was promptly refilled with cool lemonade, *"Willie got me a job as stock clerk with the Gordon Gin Company. I'm still working there. But this,"* he took a swallow of lemonade, *"is still my favorite drink."*

Unable to land a match, Gene managed to earn a few extra bucks as a sparring partner of Vince Martinez and other boxers. His break came in March, 1955, at the camp of Armstrong's old team-mate on the Eastern boxing squad, Floyd Patterson, whom Gene was helping get in shape for a bout with Esau Ferdinand in Oakland, California. Watching the impressive style of Genorace, Cus D'Amato expressed his admiration of it to Willie Robinson, then asked how often he got ring action.

After Willie explained his sad situation, D'Amato promised his aid to the unsuccessful pair. Shortly, the trio became good friends—with Cus attempting to get Armstrong fights and became Robinson's advisor. *"That is actually how Gene got started as a pro,"* remarked Willie, also sipping lemonade. *"Yes, with the help of Mr. D'Amato—a kindly and considerate man."*

Armstrong's initial pro bout took place on July 6, 1955, when he scalped Jimmy Skinner. He won three more 4-rounders that year. On Oct. 12, same year, another daughter blessed the Armstrongs. Her name—Yetta.

Gene fought but twice in 1956—outpointed tough Otis Woodard and beat aggressive George Chimenti.

In 1957, St. Nick boxing promoter Teddy Brenner converted the name Genorace to Gene "Ace"—claiming it was more colorful and easier to pronounce—and then booked him with hard-fighting Juan Pomare. As Harry Balogh, famous ring announcer, would say: *"Armstrong emerged victorious after a hectic battle."* Gene's next victim was the ever-willing Andy Figaro. Then rugged Stan Micheaux bowed in 8 rounds. The fans applauded Armstrong's skillful ringwork.

On Aug. 26, that year, in his first main event, Gene proved himself a ring ace by outboxing the classy Rudy Sawyer in ten action-packed rounds. About seven weeks later he TKO'd speedy Eddie Thompson at the same arena.

Some weeks later when Willie told D'Amato that Teddy Brenner offered him a fight for Gene with the sharp and seasoned Randy Sandy—a man who'd stood off men like Willie Troy, Walter Cartier, Rory Calhoun, Spider Webb, Joey Giardello, Franz Sauzina, drew with Ernie Durando, won over Jimmy Beau, Tuzo Portuguez, Lee Sala, Al Andrews, Rinzi Nocero and other good fighters—Robinson frankly admitted having misgivings about accepting a match with such an experienced opponent. But Cus unhesitatingly advised him to take it. The satisfying result: a comparatively easy victory for Armstrong—who took practically all of the ten rounds.

Gene was then given another tough one: Reybon Stubbs, who won twenty of 22 fights—half of them by the kayo route. Again Gene "Ace" won almost everyone of the ten rounds. The bout was held at the St. Nick, on Dec. 2.

This year, after trouncing Josephs, Armstrong has had no

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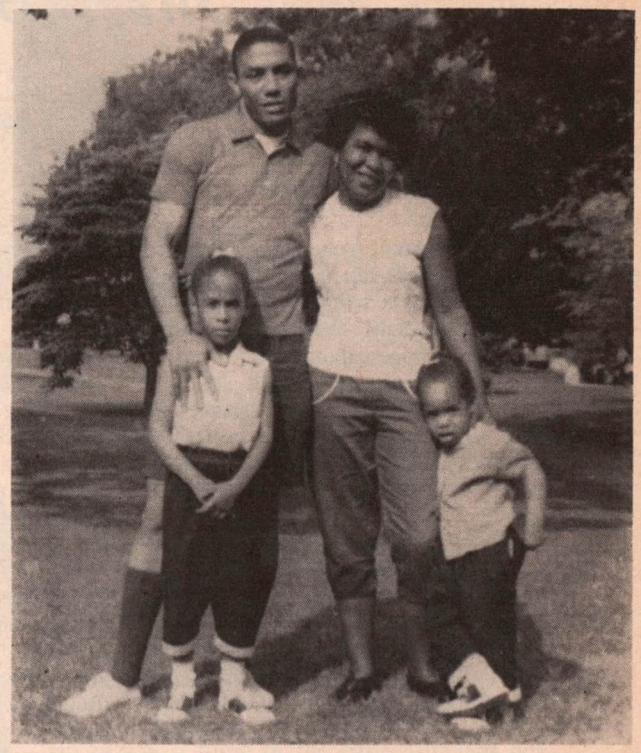
Gene (right) poses with his stablemate, world heavyweight champion Floyd Patterson, at Greenwood Lake training camp.



Gene with his wife, Alice, and two daughters, Pamela and Yetta, enjoy a day's outing in the country.

Gene served two years with the U.S. Army in Germany and won a number of Service titles while losing but two out of sixty bouts, thus as an amateur and service boxer he has lost only four times in one hundred contests.

RUBY GOLDSTEIN

The Fragile Hero

By TED CARROLL

OUR current generation of television fight fans know Ruby Goldstein as a balding, middle aged, slightly-overweight third man in the ring who prances about the canvas in a manner incongruous with his fifty years. Vestiges of the fleeting grace and speed which enthralled fight fans three decades ago remain as Ruby goes about his refereeing chores under TV's magic eye.

For many veterans watching Ruby in action, the years melt away, and through the mists of memory, the referee's thickening midriff becomes streamlined once again, and the delicate features of the Ruby Goldstein of thirty-three years ago are superimposed upon the mature expression of the man of today.

Among those affected in this wise is Tony Canzoneri, a ring great in his own right, who in one of his rare appraisals of fighting men following praise of the present Lightweight king Joe Brown and old time champion Sammy Mandell, gave the current era a new picture of Ruby Goldstein with these words ". . . the best lightweight boxer I ever saw was Ruby Goldstein and the best lightweight puncher I ever saw was Ruby Goldstein. But poor Ruby had a glass chin and that ruined him."

Canzoneri belongs to the era that produced Goldstein and no doubt his high appreciation of the old "Jewel's" talents dates back to the billing he once received on New York fight placards as "The Ruby Goldstein of the Bantams."

Tony's comments have been echoed by many keen observers down through the years. Perhaps the glass chin "size-up" is a bit harsh. After all, it wasn't entirely that. Nature played a cruel joke on Goldstein. She gave him all the assets of the perfect fighter and then crossed him up by throwing in the wrong kind of mental outlook.

Goldstein was highly imaginative. There was none of the stoical indifference characteristic of many fighters about him. He was a chronic worrier. He worried about his opponents, his health, his "connections". Nor was he helped psychologically by his over indulgent handlers, who taking his nickname of "Jewel of the Ghetto" literally, pampered and petted him as though he were the Kohinoor Diamond itself. True, he was somewhat on the fragile side, but then so was Benny Leonard at the start. Many overcame this handicap, whereas Ruby could never make the mental adjustment necessary to compensate for his lack of ruggedness.

CHERUBIC APPEARING GUY, BUT HE COULD PUNCH!

Goldstein came out of New York's East Side thirty-four years ago and within a year threatened the great Leonard's position as the hero of New York's teeming millions. His very appearance had a lot to do with this. A huge doll-like pair of eyes, set in a cherubic countenance of even more youthful aspect than his nineteen years, made him the darling of fight crowds from the very beginning.

But beneath this angelic exterior lay concealed power which blasted his opponents to the mat, as though they had been lightning struck by Jove himself, instead of one of his cherubs.

Canzoneri's estimate of Goldstein's boxing wasn't exaggerated. It was a synchronization of beautiful ballet-like footwork, and classically delivered punches, with shattering obbligato.

Ruby won seventeen fights in his first year of professional boxing, most of them by knockouts, or with almost equal ease. Only Joe Malone, a rugged Bronx boy, now living on the coast, gave him any competition to speak of. Ruby's appearance on the program guaranteed a big crowd regardless of who was billed in the main event. When he knocked out a tough local rival, Tony Vaccarelli, in his first Garden showing in May 1926, press and public outdid themselves in the tidal wave of praise and adulation which flooded the good looking kid from the Ghetto.

Ruby was riding high in just a little more than a year after his professional debut. He was the toast of the town, the Golden Boy of Boxing in New York in 1926. His manager and discoverer, Hymie Cantor, an ailing East Side settlement house worker, loved him like a son, but was himself a worrier of no mean proportions. Nor were things eased for Hymie by the voluntary and unwelcome sponsorship of certain parties whose connections, while potent, were rooted in the invisible underworld empire of those times born of Prohibition, and bootleg liquor.

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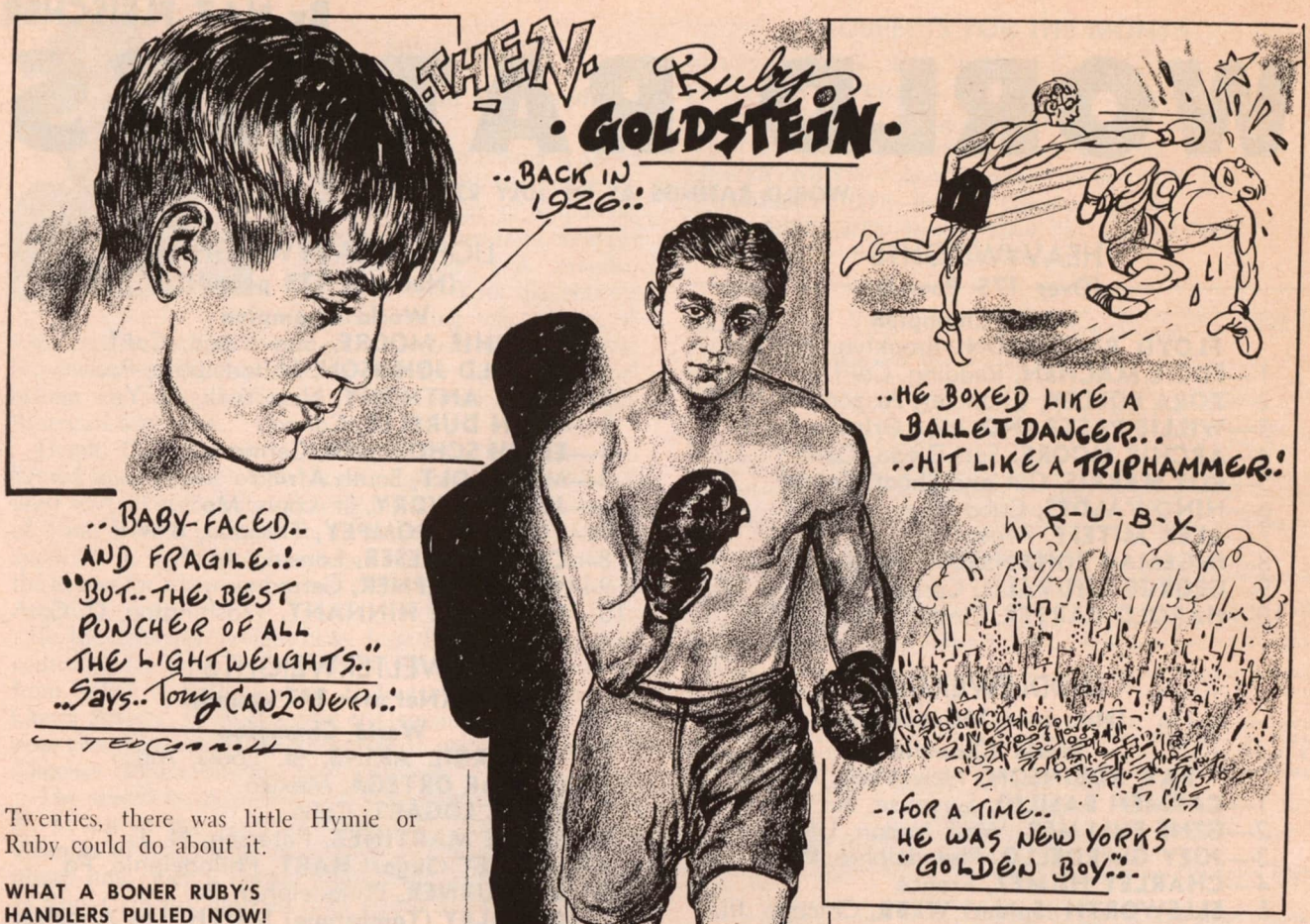

Twenties, there was little Hymie or Ruby could do about it.

WHAT A BONER RUBY'S HANDLERS PULLED NOW!

By the Spring of 1926, New York was so carried away by Goldstein's glamor, that a title shot with champion Sammy Mandell was his for the asking. This would have been a good match for Ruby had it taken place.

Mandell, a notoriously light hitter, was a master boxer, but who could outbox Ruby? He never lost a decision in his entire career! Instead of waiting for this golden touch and to accommodate promoter Lou Raymond in whose Pioneer Club, most of Ruby's matches had taken place, Goldstein's backers imported a crude, little known westerner, Ace Hudkins, as a foil for Ruby in a Raymond production at Coney Island.

How the clawing mauling Nebraskan got off the canvas in the first round, to break Ruby's heart and many a big town bankroll, is a tale which has been worn thin in the telling and retelling. The huge killing made by fabulous gambler Nick the Greek on Hudkins, the gloom that gripped the Ghetto for days afterwards, and Goldstein's disappearance the next day, all this is part of fistic legend.

Following his fadeout after the Hudkins disaster, Ruby finally was located on the coast, and by Nov. 22, 1926, he was back on the New York small club circuit. He flattened Mickey Travers, Sig Keppen, Pete Petrolle—Billy's brother—Jimmy Sacco and Johnny Ceccoli, in a total of six rounds in 1927.

He outpointed former champion Jimmy Goodrich and echoes of the golden days of '26 began to be heard on the old East Side. Maybe Ruby was going to be a second Benny Leonard after all, and the Hudkins catastrophe was just a bad dream.

The Goldstein-Terris match at the Polo Grounds on June 15, 1927, was one of the great neighborhood rivalries of all time. The Ghetto divided itself into two camps and backed up their feelings with thousands of dollars in wagers, much of it supplied by members of rival prohibition era "combines".

The boxers split $50,000 between them for the six round "special" bout, and although it lasted less than two minutes a roaring partisan crowd got its money's worth. Ruby dropped the "Ghetto Ghost" in the first minute, then was knocked cold himself when Terris arose and nailed the onrushing Ruby with a "desperation punch".

RUBY NEEDED LONG RECESS AFTER THAT ONE

Ruby took six months vacation. Returning to the ring, he retained his wallop, but the Goldstein hysteria was now a thing of the past. Although he still jammed the small clubs to the rafters, with successive knockouts over Ray Mitchell, Cuddy DeMarco, Joe Reno, Joey Kaufman and Freddy Mueller.

To this day, those fortunate enough to see him stop Kaufman, a tough Brooklynite, in eight rounds at Coney Island on Aug. 16, 1929, call it an exhibition of boxing that seldom has been surpassed.

Goldstein never completely lost his "box office magic". Although few gave him a real chance against hard hitting Jimmy McLarnin, 18,609 turned out paying $106,992, to see the Vancouver boy make short work of him in two rounds on Dec. 13, 1929, in Madison Sq. Garden.

While this bout has been looked upon as little more than a workout for

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By NAT FLEISCHER

WORLD RATINGS

WORLD RATINGS AS OF JULY 22

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Over 175 Pounds)

World Champion
FLOYD PATTERSON, Brooklyn, N. Y.

1—**EDDIE MACHEN,** Redding, Calif.
2—**ZORA FOLLEY,** Chandler, Arizona
3—**WILLIE PASTRANO,** New Orleans, La.
4—**ARCHIE MOORE,** San Diego, Calif.
5—**ROY HARRIS,** Cut and Shoot, Texas
6—**NINO VALDES,** Cuba
7—**ALEX MITEFF,** Argentina
8—**INGEMAR JOHANSSON,** Sweden
9—**GEORGE CHUVALO,** Canada
10—**HAROLD CARTER,** Linden, N. J.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(Not over 160 pounds)

World Champion
RAY ROBINSON, New York, N. Y.

1—**CARMEN BASILIO,** Syracuse, N. Y.
2—**GENE FULLMER,** West Jordan, Utah
3—**JOEY GIARDELLO,** Philadelphia, Pa.
4—**CHARLEY HUMEZ,** France
5—**ELLSWORTH (Spider) WEBB,** Chicago, Ill.
6—**RORY CALHOUN,** White Plains, N. Y.
7—**HOLLY MIMS,** Washington, D. C.
8—**JOEY GIAMBRA,** San Francisco, Calif.
9—**YAMA BAHAMA,** Bimini, B.W.I.
10—**BOBBY BOYD,** Chicago, Ill.

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(Not over 135 pounds)

World Champion
JOE BROWN, New Orleans, La.

1—**DUILIO LOI,** Italy
2—**KENNY LANE,** Muskegon, Mich.
3—**PAOLO ROSI,** New York, N. Y.
4—**DAVE CHARNLEY,** England
5—**WILLIE TOWEEL,** South Africa
6—**JOHNNY BUSSO,** New York, N. Y.
7—**CARLOS ORTIZ,** New York, N. Y.
8—**JOE LOPES,** Sacramento, Calif.
9—**AL NEVAREZ,** Mexico
10—**PAUL ARMSTEAD,** Los Angeles, Calif.

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(Not over 118 pounds)

World Champion
ALPHONSE HALIMI, France

1—**LEO ESPINOSA,** Philippines
2—**MANUEL ARMENTEROS,** Cuba
3—**MARIO D'AGATA,** Italy
4—**RAUL (Raton) MACIAS,** Mexico
5—**JOSE LOPEZ,** Mexico
6—**EUGENE LeCOZANNET,** France
7—**JOE BECERRA,** Mexico
8—**PIERO ROLLO,** Italy
9—**AL ASUNCION,** Philippines
10—**PETER KEENAN,** Scotland

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Not over 175 pounds)

World Champion
ARCHIE MOORE, San Diego, Calif.

1—**HAROLD JOHNSON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
2—**TONY ANTHONY,** New York, N. Y.
3—**YVON DURELLE,** Canada
4—**ERICH SCHOPPNER,** Germany
5—**MIKE HOLT,** South Africa
6—**JESSE BOWDRY,** St. Louis, Mo.
7—**YOLANDE POMPEY,** Trinidad, B.W.I.
8—**CHUCK SPIESER,** Lansing, Mich.
9—**WILLI HOEPNER,** Germany
10—**CLARENCE HINNANT,** Washington, D. C.

WELTERWEIGHTS
(Not over 147 pounds)

World Champion
VIRGIL AKINS, St. Louis, Mo.

1—**GASPAR ORTEGA,** Mexico
2—**ISAAC LOGART,** Cuba
3—**VINCE MARTINEZ,** Paterson, N. J.
4—**GARNET (Sugar) HART,** Philadelphia, Pa.
5—**GIL TURNER,** Philadelphia, Pa.
6—**CHARLEY (Tombstone) SMITH,** Los Angeles, Calif.
7—**RALPH DUPAS,** New Orleans, La.
8—**DON JORDAN,** Los Angeles, Calif.
9—**MICKEY CRAWFORD,** Saginaw, Mich.
10—**KID GAVILAN,** Cuba

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(Not over 126 pounds)

World Champion
HOGAN (Kid) BASSEY, Nigeria

1—**DAVEY MOORE,** Springfield, O.
2—**PAUL JORGENSEN,** Port Arthur, Tex.
3—**FLASH ELORDE,** Philippines
4—**CHERIF HAMIA,** France
5—**GRACIEUX LAMPERTI,** France
6—**IKE CHESTNUT,** New York, N. Y.
7—**MANOLO GARCIA,** Spain
8—**HAROLD GOMES,** Providence, R. I.
9—**RICARDO GONZALEZ,** Argentina
10—**RICARDO MORENO,** Mexico

FLYWEIGHTS
(Not over 112 pounds)

World Champion
PASCUAL PEREZ, Argentina

1—**RAMON ARIAS,** Venezuela
2—**PONE KINGPETCH,** Thailand
3—**YOUNG MARTIN,** Spain
4—**DOMMY URSUA,** Philippines
5—**RAMON CALATAYUD,** Venezuela
6—**SADAO YAOITA,** Japan
7—**CARLOS MIRANDA,** Argentina
8—**MASAJI (Lefty) IWAMOTO,** Japan
9—**MARIO DeLEON,** Mexico
10—**ROBERT POLLAZON,** France

NINO VALDES

Fighter of the Month

THE lull in boxing is about over if you can judge by the number of important contests that have been arranged for the next two months. Though New York has become a dead boxing city, worse off than ever in its long history, other sectors are taking over the champions and top notchers and men in international listings are being booked in various other parts of the American continent.

Harold Carter, recently discharged from the Army and figured upon as one of the heavyweights with possibilities, must start all over again following his knockout at the hands of Nino Valdes in Spokane, in the ninth round. Valdes appeared to be headed for defeat when he sent Carter to the canvas for a kayo and gained "The Fighter of the Month Award."

In the light heavyweight class, Jesse Bowdry of St. Louis, continued his climb by kayoing Jerry Luedee and advanced from eighth to sixth position, trading places with inactive Chuck Speiser, Willi Hoepner of Germany, the new European champion moved up from tenth to ninth, with inactive Clarence Hinnant trading posts with him.

The middleweights find Gene Armstrong of Elizabeth, N. J., out of the select circle due to inactivity and Joey Giambra of San Francisco, winner over Joey Giardello, replaced him. Joey is ranked eighth with Bobby Boyd, loser to Rory Calhoun, dropped from eighth to tenth. Giardello lost his high second post and is down in third, with Gene Fullmer of West Jordan, Utah, a former champion, now second.

In the welter class, Gaspar Ortega of Mexico, winner over Mickey Crawford, is now the top contender for the crown with Isaac Logart, of Cuba, loser on a hotly disputed decision to Don Jordan of Los Angeles, down to second place. Jordan joined the rated ranks in eighth post. Kid Gavilan, dropped from eighth to tenth with Charley (Tombstone) Smith moved up from seventh to sixth, trading places with Ralph Dupas. Giancarlo Garbelli of Italy, was removed to make room for Jordan.

Johnny Busso of New York, winner over Carlos Ortiz, jumped from tenth to sixth in the lightweight class, with Ortiz dropped from sixth to seventh. Joe Lopez, Al Nevarez and Paul Armstead each fell one notch.

There were no changes among the featherewights.

Inactive Raul (Raton) Macias of Mexico, dropped from chief contender to fourth among the bantams. Leo Espinosa of the Philippines, climbed into Raul's old position from second place. Manuel Armenteros moved up from fourth to second and Jose Lopez traded with Eugene LeCozannet taking over fifth post with the Frenchman down to sixth. Joe Becerra of Mexico, changed posts with Piero Rollo of Italy. Joe is now listed seventh and Piero eighth.

Veteran Italian Aristide Pozzali was removed from the flyweight class following his retirement and French Champion Robert Pollazon takes his place, in tenth. Carlo Miranda, who drew with number one man Ramon Arias, has advanced from nineth to seventh with Sadao Yaoita of Japan, upped from seventh to sixth and Mario DeLeon of Mexico, advanced from tenth to ninth.

Here are the month's leading results:

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Nino Valdes kayoed Harold Carter, 9.

Mike DeJohn edged out Bob Baker, 10. Bob also lost to Dick Richardson, 10.

Bob Butcher bested Bob Albright, 10.

Australian champion Allen Williams retained title by stopping Sandy Assogna, 13.

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

HEAVYWEIGHTS—Willie Richardson, Portland, Oregon
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS—Moses Walker, Syracuse, N. Y.
MIDDLEWEIGHTS—Willie Green, Warwick, R. I.
WELTERWEIGHTS—Joe Shaw, Kansas City, Mo.
LIGHTWEIGHTS—Tommy Garrow, Claremount, N. H.
FEATHERWEIGHTS—Fernand Chretien, Canada
BANTAMWEIGHTS—Danny Valdez, Los Angeles, Calif.
FLYWEIGHTS—Luis Gonzalez, Mexico

Alferdo Zuany stopped Davey Walker, 9. Crowe Peele whipped John Hunt, 10. Alvin Green defeated Ben Marshall, 8. Waban Thomas decisioned Oliver Wilson, 10.

Joe Hemphill defeated Ose Groom, 6. Ernest Terrell kayoed Bill Pickett, 2. Bob Cleroux outscored Johnny Vick, 8.

Wayne Womochil whipped Les Fitzgerald, 8. Danny Logan beat Louis Jones, 6. Charlie Lopes halted Harrison Glover, 2.

Willie Richardson kayoed Billy Fields, 3, and Walter Robinson, 2. Emil Brtko stopped Tunney Hunsaker, 2. Ernie Knox defeated Rudy Watkins, 6. John Carroll kayoed George Johnson, 2.

Otis Fuller defeated Karl-Heinz Wendt, 6. Bob Hinds won on a disqualification over Chubby Dues, 2. Dean McGowan beat Lajuin Burks, 8. Alex Miteff outfought Ruben Vargas, 10.

European champion Ingemar Johansson stopped Heinz Neuhaus, 4.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

Jesse Bowdry stopped Jerry Luedee, 8. Donnie Fleeman outscored Buddy Turman, 10. Guillermo Duchman beat Carlos Paiva, 10.

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Frank Lawson and Johnny Mason drew, 6. Moses Walker kayoed Johnny Pratt, 3. Ducky Dietz kayoed Willie Washington, 1. John Bonner beat Chuck Garrett, 5.

Tommy Della Rocca stopped Moses Lockhart, 3. Richard Lee won from Bobby Sand, 6. Sonny Ray won from Rudy Williams, 6. Nick Kovac won from Al Gillis, 6. Tony Anthony kayoed Calvin Brad, 1. British Empire champion Yvon Durelle retained his title by kayoing Mike Holt, 9. Johnny Halafihi outfought Ron Redrup, 8.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Gene Fullmer decisioned Jimmy Hegerle, 10.

Joey Giambra upset Joey Giardello, 10.

Ellsworth (Spider) Webb outscored British Empire champion Dick Tiger, 10.

Rory Calhoun won over Bobby Boyd, 10.

Holly Mims defeated Sammy Walker, 10. Bob Gordon upset Charlie Joseph, 10.

Jimmy Martinez outboxed Tony Dupas, 10. Willie Vaughn defeated Artie Dixon, 10.

Wilfie Greaves outfought Otis Woodard, 10. Willie Dockery outscored George Benton, 10. Japanese champion Hiroshi Tatsumi retained his title. Hiroshi Shinada, 10. Victor Salazar kayoed Americo Cordoba, 2.

Joe Torres kayoed Joe Salvato, 4, and beat Wes Lowery, 6. Tony Baldoni kayoed Johnny Cunningham, 5. Oscar Rojas kayoed Antonio Cuevas, 2. Joe DeNucci kayoed Joe Green, 1.

Pedro Zapata defeated Manuel Banuelos, 10, but lost to Joe Cancio, 10. Marcel Piau won from Milton Epps, 8. Freddie Little kayoed Ike Stewart, 4, but was stopped by Norris Burse, 5. Norris also stopped Roy Copeland, 4.

Frank Keating beat Joe Lissy, 8. Cleo Frazier beat Don Edmunds, 6.

Bernie Stone kayoed Bobby Leadley, 4, but was stopped by Nick Kovac, 6. Leo Owens stopped Stan Micheaux, 1.

Johnny Griffiths whipped Mickey Ross, 6. Young Beau Jack whipped Lee Williams, 6 and Johnny Ray, 6. Harold Redman beat Frankie Louis, 6.

Norm Smith halted Herschel Bailey, 3. Gerry Cannon defeated Tarzan Beaudet, 6.

Jimmy Roberts and Jimmy Ellery drew, 6. Joe Gunther kayoed Sonny Pina, 3. JoJo Jordan bested Clarence Robinson, 6.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Don Jordan upset Isaac Logart, 10.

Charley (Tombstone) Smith kayoed Armnado Muniz, 3.

Bruno Vistini won the Italian title outpointing Giancarlo Garbelli, 12.

British Empire Champion Johnny Van Rensburg squared accounts for previous defeat by stopping Portuguese title-holder Chico Santos, 8.

Rudell Stitch upset Duke Harris, 10, and beat Kid Fichique, 10. Guy Sumlin decisioned Ray Portilla, 10. Ted Wright stopped Michel Francois, 6, and Brihan Kattani, 1.

Gomeo Brennan defeated Jimmy Archer, 10. Cirilo Gil decisioned Alfonso Moreno, 10. Denny Moyer outscored Al Andrews, 10.

Frankie Ippolito defeated Tony DeCola, 10. Joe Cancio whipped middleweight Pedro Zapata, 10.

Danny Russo whipped Charlie Cummings, 10. Norm Gautreau won from Al Mackay, 10. Jarrel Pate stopped Butsy Gallant, 10.

Joe Louis Murphy won from Henry Gutierrez, 10 and drew with Ray Terrazas, 6.

Mike Coronado kayoed Sal Lopez, 3. Eddie Lynch won from Tony DiBiase, 10.

Manuel Ravell beat Percy Armstrong, 10. Bill Flamio beat Mike Colucci, 8. Joe Felan defeated Lloyd Nelson, 10. Lloyd stopped Joe Rolanco, 3.

Dale Davis halted Johnny Guebera, 6. Al Bourdreaux whipped Don Jones, 10.

Anacleto Battad defeated Lem Miller, 6. Gene Tippett defeated Marion Whitehead, 6.

Steve Mendoza kayoed Jerry Hunnicutt, 2. Buddy Jackson kayoed Jerry Mortell, 6.

Joe Dominguez whipped Leo Howard, 6. Tommy Thomas kayoed Jim Morley, 2

Kid Suave stopped Canelo Kid, 9. Artie McCann and Aaron Junior drew, 6.

Blaine Macomber defeated Clarence Jackson, 8. Jackson then beat

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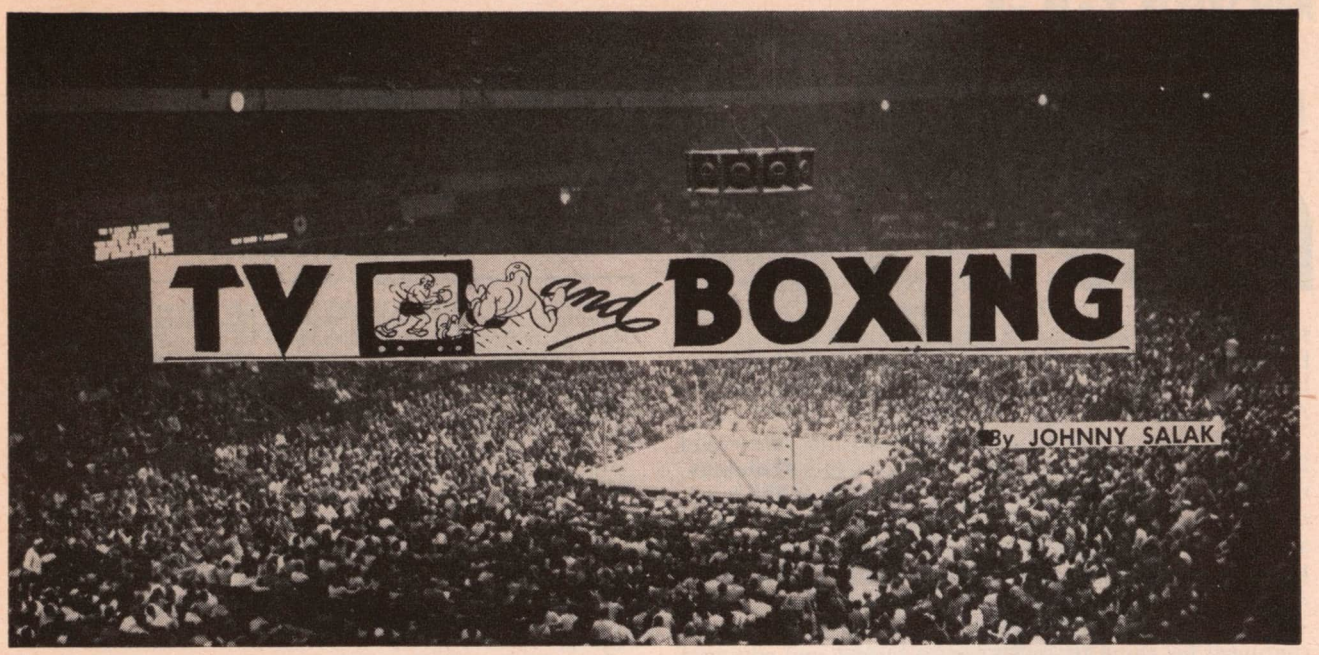

TELEPROMPTER Corporation, which stepped so neatly into the sports field with the telecast of the return bout between Ray Robinson and Carmen Basilio for the world middleweight championship last March, took a giant step recently when it gained closed-circuit television rights to the world's heavyweight title bout, scheduled for Monday, August 18, between champion Floyd Patterson and challenger, Roy Harris, at the 32,000 capacity Wrigley Field in Los Angeles.

President Irving Kahn, who bid successfully for this top event, predicted: "We're only beginning, a few years from now we'll have a dozen blue ribbon events every year in a variety of sports."

Originally Al Weill, late of the I. B. C. and formerly manager of Rocky Marciano, was penned in as promoter of the title bout, but when his request for a license was refused, William Rosensohn, who had been a vice president of TelePrompTer, with remarkable speed chose to take over the reins as promoter, with an assist from the veteran Jack Hurley.

This quick change, with Rosensohn taking over for what is his initial promotion, seemed to keep the fight in one "big, happy family," though it is understood he had severed all connections with TelePrompTer.

"I wasn't happy to lose Bill Rosensohn," Kahn said, "but I've known that it always was his ambition to be a sports promoter. Our parting was friendly and I hope he will remain our good friend and associate."

For their first venture in closed-circuit television of boxing on a full scale, the Robinson-Basilio return in Chicago, TelePrompTer had 364,876 ticket purchasers at 174 outlets in 140 cities in the United States and Canada.

TV BOXING

WEDNESDAY

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FIGHTS emanating from various cities (ABC-TV Network), Jack Drees, Announcer.

FRIDAY

† **CAVALCADE OF SPORTS,** Madison Square Garden, New York, and other cities (NBC-TV Network), Jimmy Powers, Announcer.

SATURDAY

LEGION STADIUM, Hollywood (KHJ-TV).

† Also heard over NBC Radio Network, Don Dumphy, Announcer.

Kahn pointed out that the overall closed-circuit gate, around $1.5 million, was a record, as was the promotion share (fighters and promoter) of $335,000.

Highest promotional earnings previously had been $284,000 for Rocky Marciano and Archie Moore in 1955 at New York. The first Robinson-Basilio fight, also in New York but in 1957, had done $272,000.

For this fight, TelePrompTer has guaranteed the promoter $210,000, with a sliding scale of percentages based on paid admissions. For the second Robinson-Basilio fight, they guaranteed the promoter $275,000.

TelePrompTer, which only had a token representation in the first middleweight title bout, expects that it will have an ever wider score for its alert far-flung exploitation program with its first heavyweight championship.

"The heavyweight championship has a magnetic appeal beyond anything in boxing," Kahn emphasized. "Besides which, we have here a unique situation: a champion (Patterson) who hasn't been seen on home TV since winning the title two years ago; and an undefeated challenger (Harris) who never has been on home TV."

The TelePrompTer prexy reported that, with a mid-summer staging a vastly greater number of drive-in theaters will be available than for the middleweight title bout, staged in late winter.

Response to preliminary negotiations, he said, showed that exhibitors already are prepared to guarantee more than the 500,000 seats he had in the last one. Texas, home state of Harris, cool to the middleweights, is certain to challenge New York, tops last time, for seats.

The metropolitan New York area, which last March had over 50,000 paid admissions, more than saw the first fight in person, is also hot in interest, Kahn stated.

"Only telephone company lines can limit us," he said, pointing out that currently TelePrompTer is limited to the 21 micro-wave relay points available on the Empire State Building.

Kahn, 40 years old, actually is a veteran in the closed-circuit boxing field. Ten years ago, Kahn, as a youthful movie executive for Fox, was associated with the first intercity closed-circuit coverage of a heavyweight championship, Joe Louis-Jersey Joe Walcott at Yankee Stadium.

"We made a deal with John Reed Kilpatrick of Madison Square Garden," he recalled. "A penny a seat. We only had one theatre, in Philadelphia, and it was important first step. I'm happy to bring it to a peak."

At a top of $7.50 a seat, we might add.

BLACKED OUT, BUT GOOD

In a continuance of the behind-the-scenes maneuvering, which has taken the play away from the world heavyweight championship fight and made of it merely a pawn in the over-all picture, Norman Rothschild, Syracuse promoter, recently stated that a television executive told him he probably would not be allowed to stage a closed-circuit presentation of the Floyd Patterson-Roy Harris bout because of his relationship with the International Boxing Club.

Rothschild, who has promoted a number of fights in Syracuse for the I. B. C., said that Robert Rosencranz, an executive of the TelePrompTer Corp., had advised him that the firm had a contract with Cus D'Amato, Patterson's manager, whereby D'Amato had the final say on TV.

D'Amato has been involved in a running feud with the I. B. C. and will be showing Patterson in his third title defense, all handled by "independent" promoters.

Rothschild said Rosencranz told him that he thought D'Amato would not consent to Rothschild's getting the TV rights for the Syracuse area.

Rothschild has promoted closed-circuit performances in Syracuse and in Rochester of a number of championship bouts, including the one last March between Carmen Basilio and Ray Robinson. For that one he staged live bouts as preliminaries to the TV show, an innovation which proved very successful.

Rothschild said Rosencranz told him the turnouts in Rochester and Syracuse were the largest in the country of any of TelePrompTer's outlets.

Truman Gibson, president of the International Boxing Club, which has virtual control of national boxing, blames television for the collapse of sports in New York City and boxing in Madison Square Garden in particular.

"We are the victims of free home entertainment," he said. He pointed out that 18% of all the TV sets in the nation are in the New York area.

Free home entertainment is a very loose term, as Mr. Gibson knows, for certainly Mr. Gibson and the I. B. C. do not give away the boxing shows to television without recompense, but rather at a neat little sum which more than takes it out of the realm of charity and squarely planks it in the category of good, if not sound, business.

In order for the International Boxing Club to realize the same profit they derive from their Wednesday and Friday night telecasts of shows without TV they would have to gross approximately $60,000 for each show. That just isn't done twice a week, week after week, just now and the I. B. C. probably better than anyone, realizes this, while comfortably counting TV revenue.

Victims of free home entertainment? Well, all the I. B. C. would have to do is just not renew the television contracts the next time they roll around and stop being victimized. After all, you can't have your cake and eat it, too, and then holler for your "just desserts."

CHANNEL HOPPING . . . Tom Gallery, NBC-TV sports director, landed the Zora Folley-Pete Rademacher and Carmen Basilio-Art Aragon fights for network television on Friday nights. . . . California wisely blacked out for both bouts.

Telecast of the St. Nick's fights, viewed over the Metropolitan Broadcasting Corp. channel in New York (formerly DuMont) bowed out August 4, with promoter Teddy Brenner stepping into a network show to be called "The Main Event" which will feature Rocky Graziano, former world middleweight champion, who will do pre and post-fight interviews. The show should be ready for production by the Fall.

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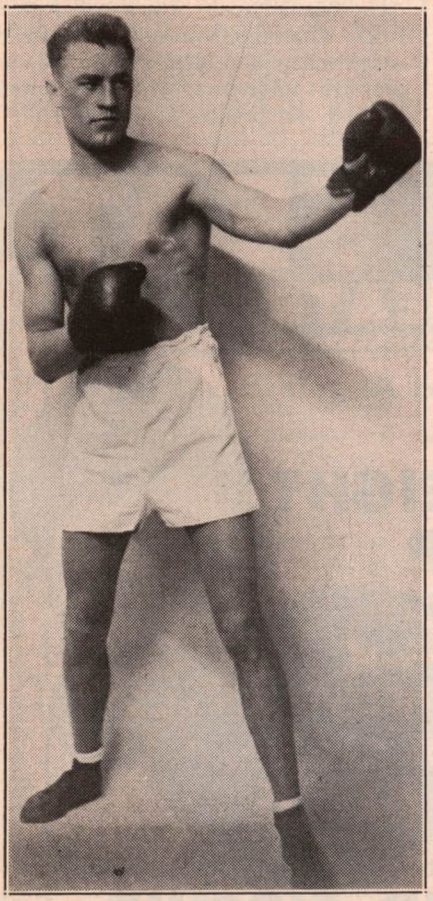
Vince Martinez Latest Case of Fighter Affected By Psychological Strain of Important Bout.

THE DEEP FREEZE

By JERSEY JONES



No more courageous lightweight ever lived than Richie Mitchell (above), but high-strung Milwaukeean usually had to overcome jittery first round. Knocked down three times and reeling groggily, Mitchell staged sensational comeback by flooring Champion Benny Leonard in one of boxing's exciting opening stanzas.

THE casual onlooker must have found it difficult to understand how and why a cautious, clever, experienced boxer like Vince Martinez could have been demolished in such a hurry by hard-hitting but slow-moving Virgil Akins in their recent get-together in St. Louis for the vacant world welterweight title.

Former welterweight and middleweight champion Carmen Basilio, an interested ringside observer, explained Martinez's inept performance. "He froze up," said Carmen.

In the quaint but expressive language of the sock market, "freezing up" is the equivalent of the theatrical profession's "stage fright." It is usually caused by one of two things—a fear of the opponent or the importance of the bout. Sometimes, as was probably the case with Martinez, it is a combination of both. Vince not only was fighting for the greatest prize of his career, a world championship, but he was facing the most dangerous rival he'd ever stacked up against. The psychological pressure was too much for him. He "froze up."

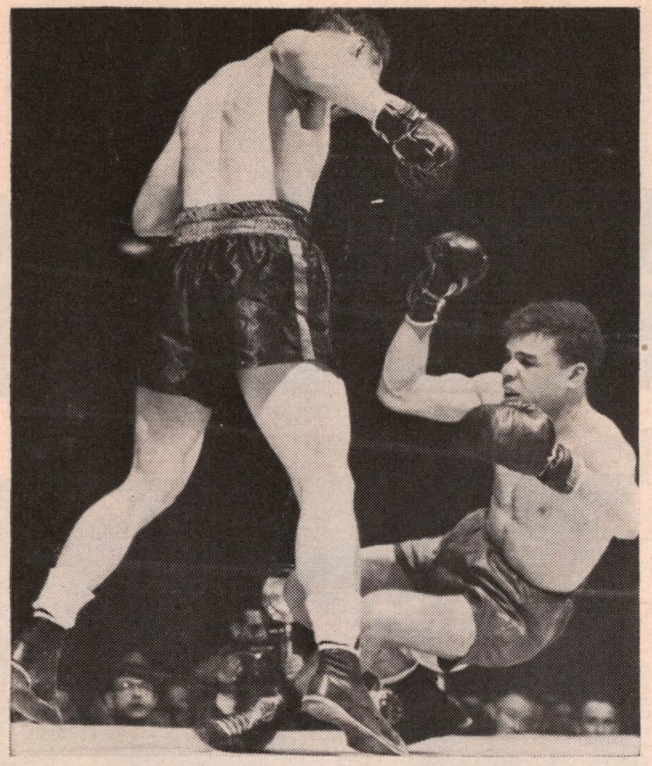
Had Martinez been able to stay away from serious trouble for a couple of rounds, there is a chance he would have "thawed out" somewhat and given a better account of himself. But Akins didn't give him that chance. Virgil, usually a slow starter, must have sensed Vinces' condition and he lost no time taking advantage of it. Ten seconds after the affair started, he had Martinez on the way to an inglorious finish. True, the massacre didn't end until early in the fourth round, but in 9 minutes, 52 seconds of actual operations, Akins had Martinez down nine times and Vince was a battered, bloody, helpless wreck when the referee finally intervened.

THE KING LEVINSKY CASE.

Martinez's case was not entirely unique in this rugged trade. Many an important bout has produced a "freeze-up" by one of the contestants and an unexpected easy victory for the opponent.

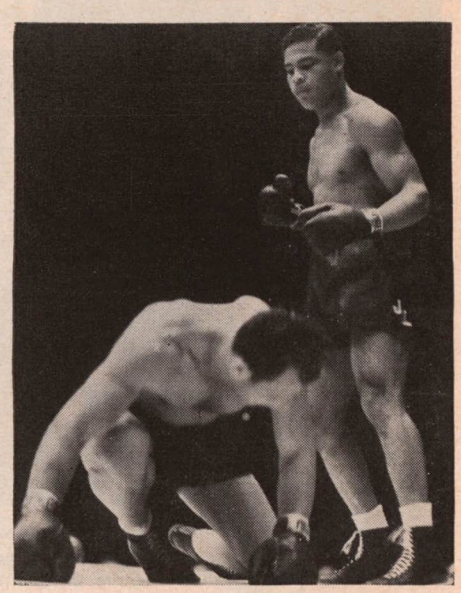
There is no saying how many fights were won by Joe Louis before they even started. Shufflin' Joe exerted a powerful psychological effect on most of his rivals. Not that the Bomber needed any assistance to help him win, but it made his task that much simpler when the opponent was "scared stiff" going into the ring.

It wasn't altogether a matter of courage, or lack of it. To consider just one case of many, there was King Levinsky.



Billy Fox going down for second time in less than two minutes of return match with Gus Lesnevich for light-heavyweight title. Blackjack Billy had given Lesnevich a rugged argument in first bout but he "froze up" in second match and was an easy victim.

With sensational Australian record, Bill Squires (left) invaded America and was matched with Tommy Burns for world heavyweight title. Rivals, with Referee Jim Jeffries, are pictured before start of bout. Squires, awed by importance of the occasion, was flattened in one round.



Although he had given good accounts of himself against most of the topliners of his era, durable King Levinsky was "scared stiff" when he faced Joe Louis. Offering feeble resistance, the frightened King was stopped in one round.

No one had ever questioned Levinsky's gameness. The King may have been awkward and clumsy, but he was tough, durable and dangerous. He'd been in there with most of the top ringmen of his era—Leo Lomski, Dave Maier, Jimmy Slattery, Tommy Loughran, Johnny Risko, Ace Hudkins, Mickey Walker, Joe Sekyra, Primo Carnera, Paulino Uzcudun and Max Baer. Win, lose or draw, he'd given them all plenty of rugged opposition.

It was Levinsky himself who clamored for a crack at Louis. He hounded Promoter Mike Jacobs until he was accommodated. The bout was arranged during the summer of 1935 in the King's own bailiwick, Chicago.

If ever a fighter "froze up" before a fight, it was Levinsky. In his corner, waiting for the opening bell, he looked as though he was in a hypnotic trance.

It was one of Louis' easiest triumphs. A frightened Levinsky offered no resistance. He tried to cover up but Louis blasted through his feeble defense. He tried to run but Joe caught him. In the brief span of 2 minutes, 21 seconds Levinsky was down four times before the affair was stopped.

FULTON "FROZE UP"

Fred Fulton seemed to have all the equipment necessary to wrest the heavyweight title from Jess Willard. The rangy Minnesotan had the height (6 feet, 4½ inches) and the weight (215 pounds) to go along with clever boxing ability and a dangerous punch. He had a particularly adept left hand, which stabbed, ripped and stunned. Fulton's record was studded with knockouts over most of the leading big 'uns of the era—Gunboat Smith, Porky Flynn, Charley Weinert, Tom Cowler, Al Reich, Tom (Bearcat) McMahon, Fireman Jim Flynn and the aging but still formidable Sam Langford.

During the summer of 1918 Fulton was generally recognized as Willard's outstanding challenger. But Fred was being threatened by a dynamic newcomer, Jack Dempsey, roaring across the heavyweight scene in spectacular fashion.

A match between Fulton and Dempsey was arranged for Harrison Field, home of the Newark International League baseball team. A crack at Willard and the title was assured the winner.

Although three inches shorter and thirty pounds lighter than Fulton, there was a magnetic something about Dempsey that stamped him as an unusual fighting machine. Scowling, unshaven, his superb body a glistening bronze from training outdoors, Manassa Jack's every move suggested the speed, agility and deadliness of a savage panther on the prowl.

Dempsey didn't look at Fulton as he hopped into the ring and scraped his shoes in the resin in his corner. He kept his back toward the lanky, pale-skinned Minnesotan. During the referee's instructions, Jack continued to ignore his opponent, tilting his head down and glaring at the canvas. There was a restlessness about him that gave the impression of a wild animal, straining at the leash, impatient to get at his enemy.

Jack's behavior had a strange effect on Fulton. He seemed to "freeze up" in his corner. At the opening bell, big Fred walked uncertainly toward the center of the ring and pawed feebly with his left hand as the scowling Dempsey weaved toward him.

Fulton was given no chance to "thaw out." Dempsey ripped into him with both fists blazing. A right to the body, then a left and another right to the jaw, and Fulton collapsed.

It was the fastest knockout ever recorded in major heavyweight competition. Including the count, the total elapsed time was 28⅗ seconds!

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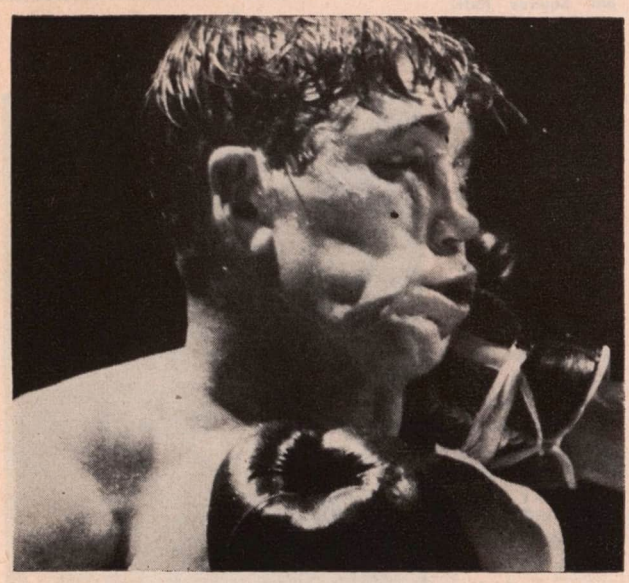
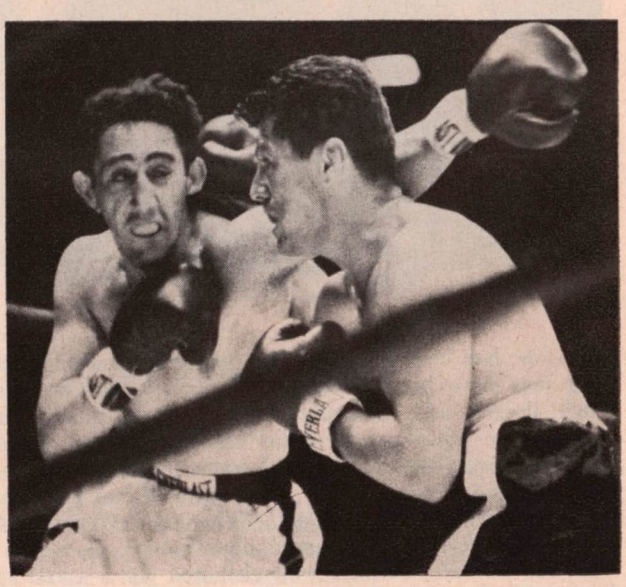
FIGHTS OF THE MONTH

FACING THE FACTS



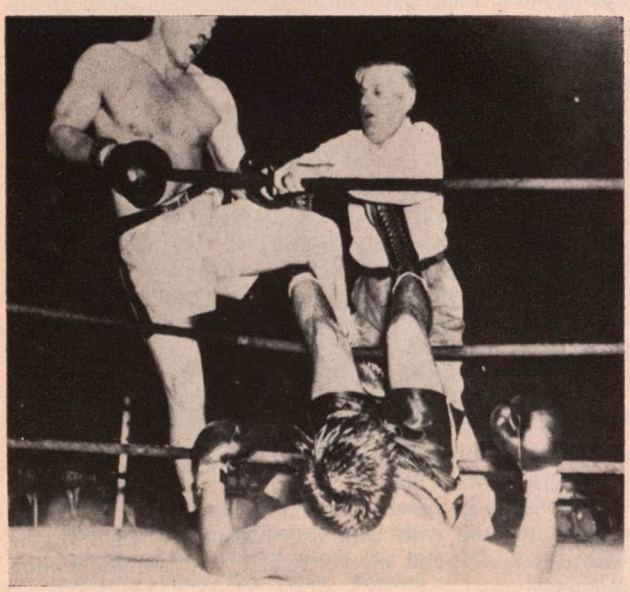
Irish Mickey Crawford, Saginaw, Mich., welterweight, takes a hard right to the side of the face from Gaspar Ortega during the eighth round of their bout at Madison Square Garden in which Gaspar won a not too popular split decision after ten fast rounds of good ring action.

EYE TO EYE



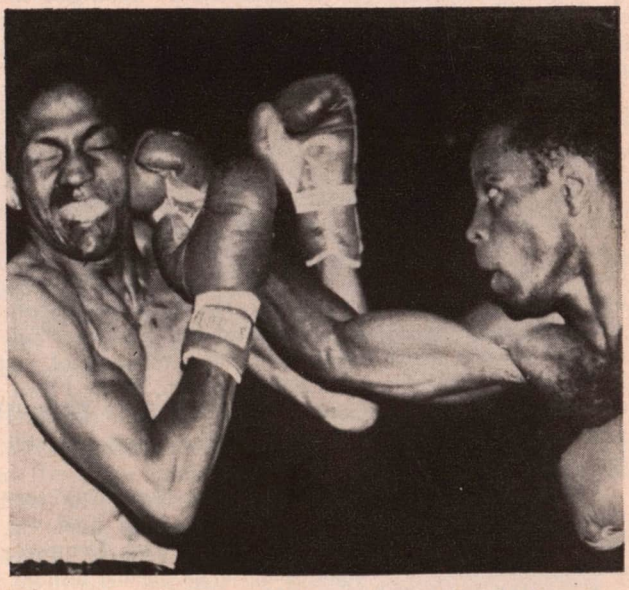
Featherweights, Al Tisi (left) and Carmelo Costa (right) give each other the stare after each missed a punch during their ten rounder at St. Nick's arena, in New York City. Costa making his third start since being discharged from the United States Army took the verdict over his rival.

ROPE TRICKS



Ranking Argentina heavyweight Alex Miteff rests on the apron of the ring in Toronto, after being knocked through the ropes in the last round by young George Chuvalo during their brawl which ended in a draw. It was the fast finish that gained the stand-off for the Canadian hope.

WINNER TAKES ALL

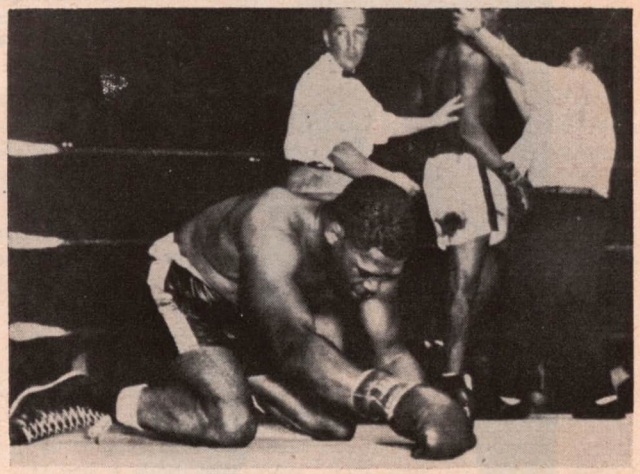


Californian Don Jordan is nailed by a solid right from Cuban, Isaac Logart, during their welterweight ten rounder at Hollywood's Legion Stadium in California in which Jordan was awarded a hotly disputed split decision over the top rated Cuban. This bout boomed Don's stock.

WELL! SHUT MY MOUTH. Former welterweight king Kid Gavilan is stunned by a solid left to the face delivered by Yama Bahama of Bimini in the tenth and final round of their Miami Beach bout that saw Yama win by a wide margin. The bout cost Gavilan a title shot.

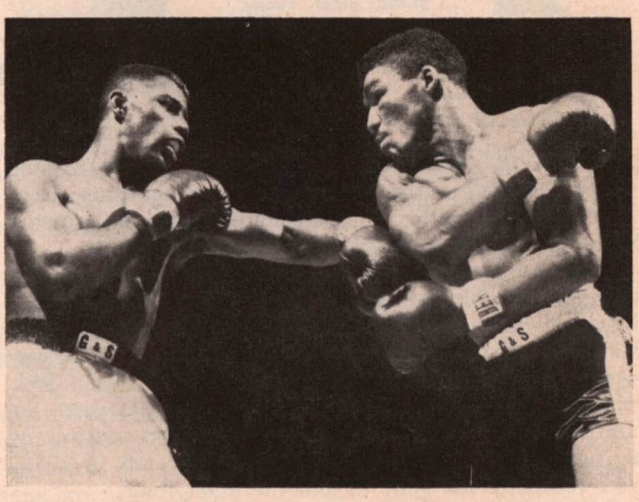
HOLD TIGHT! Carlos Ortiz, New York lightweight, hangs on to the ropes after being belted by a hard right to the jaw in the eighth round of his Garden bout with Johnny Busso. This punch turned the tide in Johnny's favor and he went on to hand Carlos his first loss as a pro

WHY FIGHT, LET'S KISS AND MAKE UP. Al Andrews, Superior, Wisc., middleweight, seems to be asking the question of Charlyn Filson, who acted as one of the ring attendents for Al's recent fight with Denny Moyer in Portland, Oregon. After giving Charlyn lessons, Al lost his lust for combat and dropped the decision to Mayer. It was a fast bout.



WHEN A FELLER NEEDS A FRIEND! Harold Carter, one time highly ranked, sure could use one as he kneels in the middle of the ring in Spokane, Wash., after being knocked out by Nino Valdes in the ninth round of their heavyweight bout. Carter making his second start since coming out of Army was far ahead in the judging when Nino felled him.

PARDON MY GLOVE! Mike DeJohn, Syracuse heavyweight, takes a left jab from Bob Baker with his kisser in this third round action of their bout at Syracuse that was won by Mike on a unanimous decision. Mike DeJohn will be shortly meeting Nino Valdes in bid for heavyweight contendership.

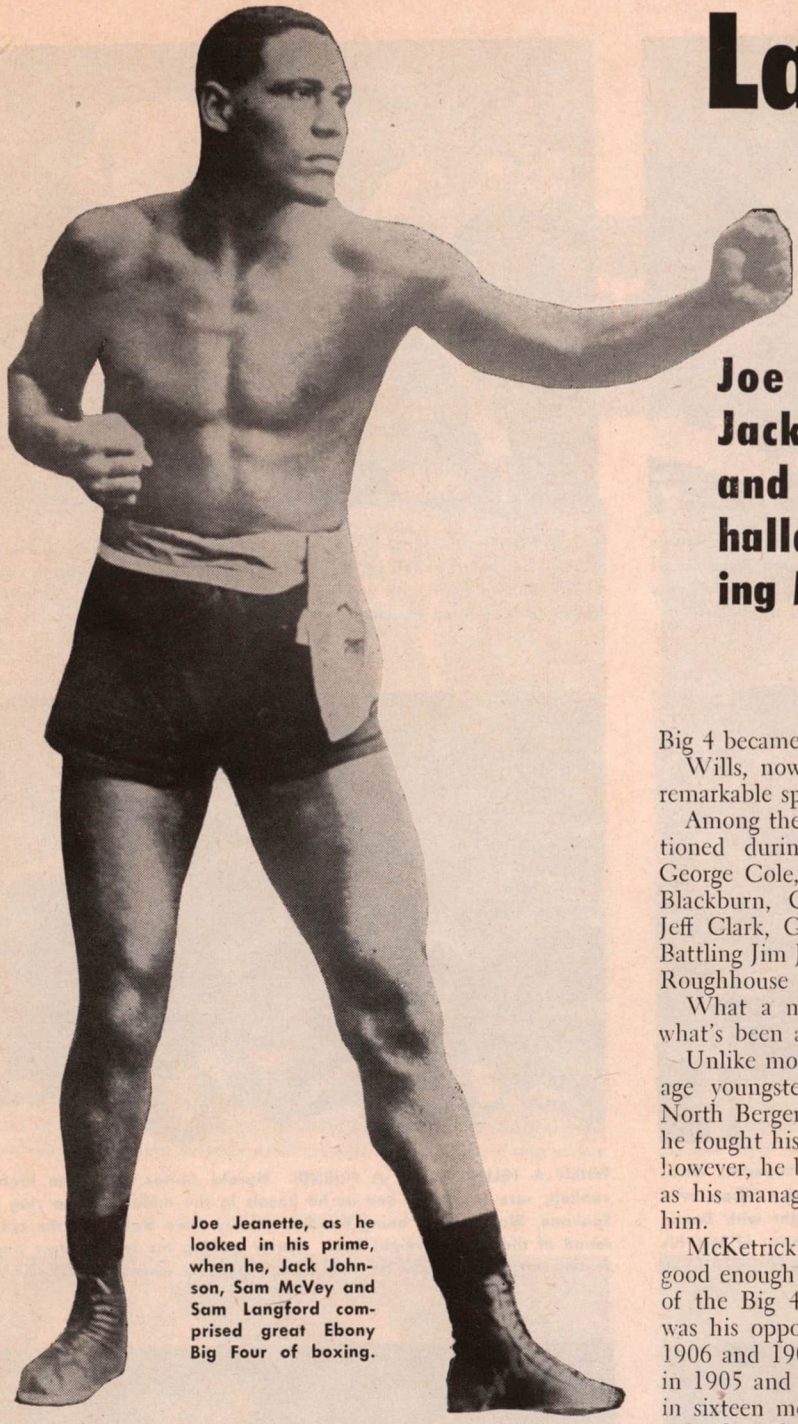


YOU STILL HERE! Rory Calhoun, (right) White Plains middleweight, could ask that question of Chicago's Bobby Boyd as he moves to the attack in the ninth round of their Chicago bout that sow Bobby come off the deck twice to give Calhoun a stiff argument while dropping the ten round decision. Calhoun's next opponent is Gene Armstrong.

Last of The Big 4

Joe Jeannette, 78, Joins Jack Johnson, Sam McVey and Sam Langford in Valhalla of Once Great Fighting Men.

By BILLY WILLIAMS



Joe Jeanette, as he looked in his prime, when he, Jack Johnson, Sam McVey and Sam Langford comprised great Ebony Big Four of boxing.

"FINIS" was written to one of the most notable chapters in Negro heavyweight boxing history when Joe Jeannette, 78, was counted out recently in the North Hudson Hospital in Weehawken, N. J.

Jeannette (or Jennette, to give the name the proper spelling) was the last of that great Ebony Big 4 which flourished during the early decades of this century. Sam McVea (also spelled McVey) was the first to go. He was taken by pneumonia in New York in 1921. Then Jack Johnson was fatally injured in an automobile crash in North Carolina in 1946. Sam Langford, blind and in failing health for several years, died in Boston early in 1956. Now Jeannette has gone to join the other three.

During the lusty years of the Big 4, Negro heavyweights abounded in both quality and quantity. In fact, one of the younger developments, Harry Wills, was good enough to be ranked with his illustrious brethren, and for a while the Big 4 became the Big 5.

Wills, now 66, still is very much alive in New York, a remarkable specimen of physical fitness.

Among the many lesser talented Negro heavies who functioned during those busy decades were Morris Harris, George Cole, John Willie, Black Bill, Larry Temple, Jack Blackburn, George (Kid) Cotton, Young Peter Jackson, Jeff Clark, George Gunther, Silas Green, Cleve Hawkins, Battling Jim Johnson, John Lester Johnson, Jack Thompson, Roughhouse Ware and Kid Norfolk.

What a merry time that crowd would have had with what's been around in recent years.

Unlike most boxers of those days, Jeannette was no teenage youngster when he began tossing gloves. Born in North Bergen, N. J., Joe was a matured adult of 25 when he fought his first professional bout in 1904. Once started, however, he became an industrious worker, fighting as often as his manager, Dan McKetrick, could line up fights for him.

McKetrick wasn't choosy about the opposition. Joe was good enough to fight the best. He met the other members of the Big 4 a total of twenty-eight times! Jack Johnson was his opponent in nine battles through the years 1905, 1906 and 1908. His long series with Sam Langford began in 1905 and when it ended in 1916 the rivals had tangled in sixteen meetings! Jeannette and McVey hooked up in only three bouts, but their final one was that historic 49-round brawl in Paris!

Recalling that gruelling affair was a favorite pastime of the late Willie Lewis, one of Jeannette's seconds that night.

Lewis and Jeannette, stablemates, were popular in France when boxing was in its infancy there.

"It was back in 1909," Willie would say, *"and Joe and I were training, along with Jim Stewart and several other Americans, in a camp just outside Paris. Joe and I hit it off well together, and usually worked in each other's corner. I've never seen a fighter so conscientious as Jeannette. He was always in top condition. If I'd have taken care of myself like Joe did, I'd have been the greatest welterweight in the world.*

"Well, Joe was boxing McVey at the Cirque de Paris, then the Madison Square Garden of Paris. It was a return match. McVey won the previous one, a 20-rounder, but the decision was unpopular and stirred up quite a fuss. A

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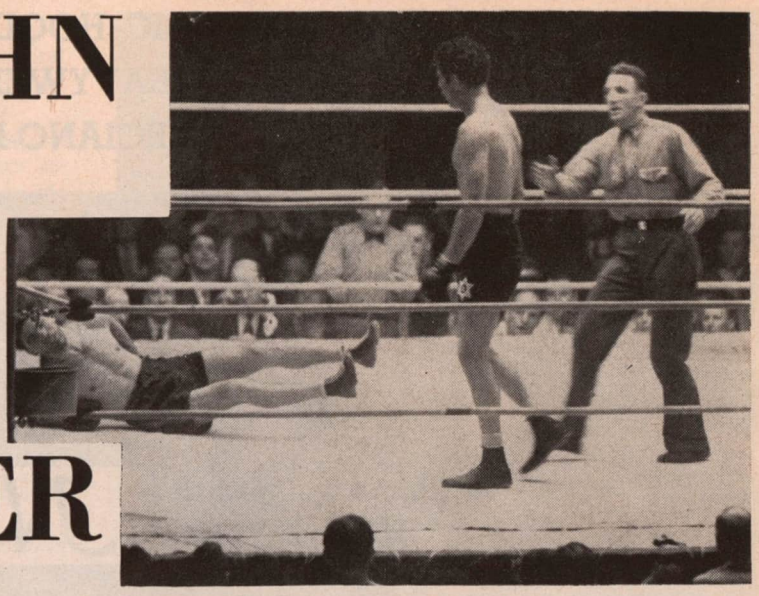
ROSENSOHN • • • FIGHT PROMOTER

By NAT FLEISCHER



Max Baer sent Max Schmeling into dreamland in the tenth round of their fight promoted by Jack Dempsey on June 8, 1933, at Yankee Stadium. It was Jack's first venture as a promoter. Although the fight made a little money, Dempsey gave up as a fight magnate, the risks were too high. The victory gained for Baer the title shot that saw him win the crown from Primo Carnera the following year.

PROMOTION of the Patterson-Harris fight in Los Angeles by William Rosensohn, New York television executive without any experience whatever in boxing, recalls similar efforts by other amateurs in fight commerce, notably those of Jack Dempsey.

Even with Max Baer and Max Schmeling his headliners in a non title fight on June 8, 1933, in New York, Dempsey was lucky to break even. The fans did not mob Yankee Stadium.

In closed circuit television, piped into theatres, Rosensohn has a tremendous aid which was not available to Dempsey.

"*Nothing ventured, nothing gained,*" is an old adage and when Rosensohn stepped into the breach after Al Weill had been refused a license to stage the Patterson-Harris bout, he had that in mind.

"*I realize that many sports critics are of the opinion that because I'm new in the boxing game, I am fronting for others. This is farthest from the truth,*" Rosensohn told The Ring Magazine.

"*This is my own promotion, with no subterfuge, no undercover persons involved. I alone, am the promoter. I'm gambling on a huge gate. My $100,000 started the ball rolling and there's plenty more behind the promotion. I may sound corny, but believe me, being the promoter of the Los Angeles fight makes me the happiest guy in the world*".

"*Since I am satisfied with the conditions which I have accepted, why should the public be worried about the set-up?*" Rosensohn asked.

"*I arranged the best available match for the heavyweight title. The public demanded of Cus D'Amato that Floyd Patterson defend his crown. The World Championship Committee at its meeting in Paris agreed on Harris as one of the top challengers whom it would recognize for a championship match.*

"*The National Boxing Association and the New York Commission agreed.*

"*It was then up to D'Amato to select his promoter and since the man he chose didn't meet the requirements in California where D'Amato insisted the fight must be held, I stepped in. It was just a case of being in the right place at the right time*".

That's how the heavyweight title bout was acquired by a raw novice in the fight field but a veteran in the great field of closed circuit television, in which there is no limit to what a promoter, with the breaks in his favor, can make for himself and his clients.

Bill may not gain the success he pictured when he induced D'Amato to sign with him. But one thing is certain—his venture is likely to break the backbone of the International Boxing Club by proving to fighters, managers and the public—that one doesn't necessarily have to be a boxing magnate like Jim Norris to stage fights.

Television, especially the closed circuit type, may take over and then there will be no need for boxing clubs. Top boxers will do their business direct with the outfits like Teleprompter and Theatre TV, Inc.

The die has been cast. Let's see what happens from here.

When the Dempsey promotion was finished, with Baer having knocked out Schmeling in the tenth round, Jack found that the international contest had grossed only $239,195.55 with a net of $201,092.27, leaving him with about $3,000 to spare after his expenses had been paid.

"*It was a good promotion,*" Jack said, "*I enjoyed every minute of the tough days I had to keep tabs on both the publicity and the wild Baer, but I had enough.*"

Dempsey got little credit for putting over a fine show in his maiden promotional effort but what he gained in prestige, repaid him for the meagre financial gain and the difficulties he encountered in staging the affair.

Rosensohn faces similar obstacles. Petty jealousy and political intrigue, quickly showed Rosensohn what he had to face as a boxing promoter. But he convinced the California Boxing Commission on his solvency and with the aid of the veteran ballyhoo artist Jack Hurley to guide him, and Bill Miller, one of the best publicists in the country, to sell the show to the public, this New York novice is likely to become in the D'Amato-Patterson camp what Mike Jacobs was to that of Joe Louis.

Years before Dempsey promoted, Jack Fugazy and Ed Cole, a man of the D'Amato pattern, with a glib tongue which could sell the Brooklyn Bridge, and with his double talk could befuddle the best among the financiers—gave the Manassa Mauler $40,000 to promote for them.

The contract called for Dempsey to make matches for an arena which they didn't have and when neither a ball park nor an indoor arena could be obtained, the venture collapsed and Dempsey was richer by $40,000 without having done any work for it.

Then Dempsey went to Chicago for a fling at promotion and because of an unfavorable lease, that, too, fell through. But such failures didn't cause Dempsey to quit, no more

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PUBLIC HOODWINKED BY D'AMATO'S ACTS
HEAVYWEIGHT SITUATION IS CLEARING
MARCIANO-DEMPSEY PRAISE ROY HARRIS

BOXING enthusiasts throughout the world will be awaiting with interest, not only the result of the result of the Floyd Patterson vs. Roy Harris bout in Los Angeles, but the financial report. The advent of Bill Rosensohn, former TelePrompter official, as a promoter, makes it the second time in many years that an independent promoter has undertaken to stage a world heavyweight championship.

Hand it to Cus D'Amato, manager of the heavyweight king, for shrewdness. Al Weill was thought to be tops in that field of pugilism. But after what Cus pulled off in getting Rosensohn to take over the moment Al was refused a license by the California State Boxing Commission, following a hearing in which it developed that he was friendly with Frankie Carbo, reputed overlord of boxing in this country, D'Amato becomes a most unique figure in boxing. Not only is he managing Patterson, the champion, but by guaranteeing Roy Harris $100,000 from Patterson's purse and splitting the gate receipts and the closed circuit TV and radio with Rosensohn, D'Amato definitely must be listed as a co-promoter.

That's why George Parnassus, matchmaker of the Olympic Club of Los Angeles, controlled by the Cal Eaton and his wife, whose son is married to Governor Knight's daughter, tried so desperately to prevent the fight from taking place in his territory. But their contention that the law of California and all other states does not permit a manager to act as a promoter, could apply to Parnassus as well. In the eyes of the law he stands no different from Al Weill or Cus D'Amato since he is the matchmaker of his club and also the manager of many excellent Mexican fighters. As in Al Weill's case, he has turned over to others some of his boys in order to be within the law—a subterfuge.

PUBLIC HOODWINKED BY MANAGER OF PATTERSON

The entire Los Angeles affair is most confused. All the public is aware of, is that the Harris-Patterson bout will take place; Floyd will make the title defense the public and the N. B. A., and World Championship Committee have demanded of him and that Cus D'Amato, has hoodwinked scribes and fight fans with his battle against the I. B. C. and anyone who has had an affiliation with Jim Norris or his organization. Surely he cannot eliminate Lou Viscusi, manager of Roy Harris, one of the staunchest supporters and friends of Jim Norris, nor Al Weill, whom he wanted to front for him before California's Commission rejected Al's application.

Who among fight managers in America has been closer to Norris and the I. B. C. than Weill? Despite the present outward sign of a cold war between them, Weill is as friendly with Norris to-day as he ever has been, yet D'Amato, who held Patterson in check against all proposals for a championship defense, picked Weill as his personal representative prior to Rosensohn's appearance on the scene. They closed a deal months before announcing the bout.

Let's set this down for the record—Bill Rosensohn is the man of record as the promoter of Patterson-Harris fight; Jack Hurley is his chief of staff; Bill Miller, as fine a publicist as this country has ever had, is the publicity director and Cus D'Amato, is the co-promoter, sharing fifty-fifty in the entire receipts with Rosensohn.

The public, frankly is not interested in who is the real promoter. It is very much interested in the fact that at long last, Floyd Patterson, a clever, excellent heavyweight, will show his wares on a nation-wide theatre telecast emanating from Los Angeles on August 18.

For that we are extremely thankful to Cus D'Amato. At last boxing will receive the shot in the arm which only a heavyweight championship fight, no matter the opponent—can give it.

MARCIANO TELLS OF TOUGHEST FIGHT AND HARDEST PUNCH

Rocky Marciano, like Jack Dempsey, now that he goes about refereeing wrestling bouts, is being asked the same queries that had been fired at Jack when he started out as an arbiter.

"Who hit you the hardest," "What was your toughest battle". "What was your best punch."

These among other queries have kept Rocky in the spotlight. Few think about Marciano as a wrestling official. It's his fighting career the fans are interested in discussing.

In Minneapolis, Marciano declared that the hardest punch he ever received was the one landed on him by Jersey Joe Walcott in Philadelphia early in the thirteenth round on September 23, 1952, a fight in which the Jersey battler almost had Rocky out but which Marciano suddenly turned into a victory by swinging one from nowhere to land

the punch soporific and end the contest.

What fight was his hardest? Rocky quickly answered that —the fight with Ezzard Charles that ended in a decision for me in fifteen rounds, June 17, 1954 in New York.

His best punch? *"I could hit hard with either hand but I don't think I had any favorite blow. The newspaper reporters said that I was a swinger, so take your pick. At any rate, I developed what I had from instructions I received from Charley Goldman, the finest trainer in the country."*

Discussing the coming fight between Patterson and Harris, Marciano refused to venture a prediction but did declare that he thought Harris lacked the experience to face so excellent a boxer as Patterson.

"Floyd is far better than the critics tab him. He is an excellent boxer, handles himself well in the ring, is fast and can hit. One thing I like about him, is that like myself, he always keeps in condition. His speed and cleverness put him above all his rivals."

"What is his opinion of Al Weill, his manager?" one of the scribes asked.

"He's a good manager. He can maneuver young fighters to get the best out of them and for them. But he didn't have to spend a dime to get me. He got me on a silver platter. I walked into his arms and he and I made a fortune out of our association."

Informed that one of the stories on the Pacific Coast told its readers that apparently Weill was accepted by Cus D'Amato to stage the Patterson-Harris bout with the promise from Weill that if Patterson put up a good fight, Al would induce Marciano to face Floyd next Fall in an effort to regain the crown Marciano had abdicated, Rocky laughing answered:

"Let's store that away for keeps. When I announced my retirement, I meant every word I said at the time. Nothing can induce me to make a return to the ring. I could have obtained a million dollars from Jim Norris to make a comeback but nothing then, now nor in the future could persuade me to make a comeback. Let's end that talk now and forever. My gloves will remain in mothballs."

Rocky is to be praised for keeping to his decision. Unlike Cus D'Amato, he doesn't make a decision and act contrary to it when opportunity knocks. He never has engaged in double talk and from my knowledge of this fine athlete, I can confidentially say he never will. He's not the type.

DEMPSEY HARKS BACK TO EARLY DAYS AS FIGHTER

Jack Dempsey celebrated his sixty-third birthday on June 24 with his daughter and grandchildren in California at the time that Roy Harris visited Los Angeles to sign for his fight with Patterson. Dempsey had refereed one of Harris' fights and like Roy's ardent followers in Texas where at present he is most popular, figures Harris will develop into an excellent attraction. Asked what he thought about the coming battle, Dempsey, replied:

"I'm very much interested in the fight. Harris hasn't the experience of Patterson, but he'll do as a fit opponent. He's as good as any in the field of rated fighters." Then turning to Roy, Demsey said:

"Even if you don't get anyone to see the fight, if it draws only a dime, you'll still get $100,000 for your end, son. In addition, you get a chance at the heavyweight championship of the world. You know what that means? Think of the men, past and present who would have given anything to get such opportunity! You and your folks back home in Cut and Shoot know what you're doing. Best of Luck, Roy."

Then talking to newspapermen, Dempsey harked back to his fight with Big Jess Willard at Toledo and laughing remarked:

"Just think of it. Here's a kid with a few fights who is going to take $100,000 for being given the chance to fight for the title and I was happy to get $27,500 for fighting Willard."

The men behind the Patterson-Harris world heavyweight title bout, Promoter William Rosensohn (center), Jack Hurley (right) and the official who okayed the bout for Los Angeles, Jack Urch, executive-secretary of the California Boxing Commission. Hurley will run the show.

Boxing went high-hat in Washington when Joey Giardello and Franz Szuzina engaged in a benefit bout for the "Big Brothers of America" at the Shoreham Hotel. Giardello won and the "Big Brothers" received a fat purse. In the above, Virginia Warren, daughter of the Chief Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court is having Gene Tunney (right), Congressman William H. Ayres of Ohio (center) and Senator Warren G. Magnuson of Washington, autograph gloves for Miss Warren.

For many years Dempsey has sponsored hunts for young heavyweight talent. It has been his hope that some day he will find one, who like himself, could be developed into a good heavyweight prospect. He thinks that in Harris, the division has the most colorful heavyweight since the rise of Luther McCarty who died in the fight with Arthur

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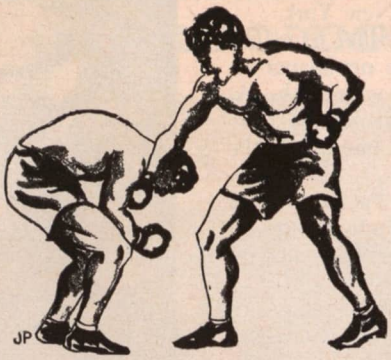
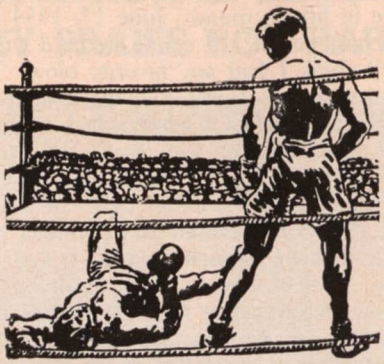
QUERIES ANSWERED BY NAT FLEISCHER





MICHAEL CASTANO, BROOKLYN, N. Y.

Q—Where was the Tunney-Spalla contest fought and who refereed the fight?

A—*It was fought on June 26, 1924 at the Polo Grounds with Eddie Purdy the referee.*

Q—Was Mike Jacobs or Tex Rickard the promoter?

A—*Neither. Jimmy Deforest, as matchmaker of the Polo Grounds A.C., arranged the fight.*

Q—Was Rickard the promoter of the Tunney-Carpentier fight and who refereed that?

A—*Jimmy Johnston promoted that contest and Andy Griffin officiated as third man in the ring.*

ARTIE BENEVENTURA, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

Q—How many times did Jack Dempsey and Carl Morris fight and where was each held?

A—*You should have a copy of The Ring Record Book and Encyclopedia and you wouldn't have to ask for the answers. However, here they are:*

They fought three times. Jack won from Morris in San Francisco, November 2, 1917, in four rounds; February 4, 1918, Dempsey won on a foul in six at Buffalo and on December 16, 1918, he stopped Carl in a round in New Orleans.

MARTIN CHESWICK, BANGOR, MAINE

Q—Is the Fred Saddy who is with the National Boxing Association the same man who was knocked out by Jack Dempsey in a round in Memphis?

A—*Yes, on March 16, 1918. Saddy was introduced that night as "Bull Sadey."*

ALAN SEDGWICK, YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO

Q—Is it true that Leo Houck's brother was responsible for gloves in important matches being placed on the hands in the ring?

A—*Yes. He objected to managers pounding the gloves against a wall to soften and flatten the finger portion and because of his complaint, the officials ordered the gloves put on in the ring. Since then this procedure has been followed by most commissions in all top matches.*

FRANK CENTELLA, CHICAGO, ILL.

Q—Was Floyd Patterson knocked out as an amateur?

A—*Yes. In the quarter finals of a Golden Gloves tournament in Buffalo, he was knocked out by Charles Williams. As a pro he lost only one bout, that with Joey Maxim at the Eastern Parkway Arena, a contest in which the newspapermen unanimously declared he had the advantage. The bout was an eight rounder, Patterson not yet having reached the age where he was permitted to fight more than that number.*

ARTHUR SWAIN, BOSTON, MASS.

Q—Since the five points "must" system was officially adopted by the National Boxing Association, how come that some states still use the ten points "must" system as members of the NBA?

A—*The National Boxing Association is an organization consisting of all states in our country except Massachusetts, which withdrew, and New York, but its by-laws permit each State to use its own rules if such rules conflict with those of the national body. The NBA does not make it mandatory on the part of a commission to accept its suggestions or rules but tries to have uniformity, so far as is possible. States that have adopted the ten points system and prefer it to the five points, have the right to do so under NBA by-laws.*

ALEX SMITH, CLEAR HILLS, ALTA. VAN.

Q—How many times did Moore and Marciano box and what were the results?

A—*Only once and Marciano scored a knockout in the ninth round.*

JAMES COOK, NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y.

Q—Is Jack Root still living. If so where?

A—*Yes. He is the oldest living ex-champion of the world. He is still a boxing enthusiast who goes regularly to the fights, at the Hollywood Legion Stadium. His home is in Los Angeles. Annually he makes a trip to Europe where I met him only recently in Paris.*

ALFRED SICKLER, NEW ORLEANS, LA.

Q—How many world heavyweight championships have been fought in California?

A—*California has staged three in the last fifty years—Johnson vs. Ketchel, 1909; Louis vs. Jack Roper, 1939; Marciano vs. Don Cockell, 1955. The Patterson vs. Harris fight will make the fourth one.*

HENRY A. MARTIN, WILKES-BARRE, PA.

Q—Did Chico Vejar and Chuck Davies ever fight?

A—*Yes, twice. Chuck won in 10 and stopped Vejar in 5.*

Q—In what round did Max Schmeling stop Joe Louis in their first fight?

A—*The twelfth.*

Q—Did Gene Tunney and Joe Louis ever fight?

A—*No. (You should get The Ring Record Book).*

FIORE SAMBENEDETTO, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Q—Can I obtain for my son copies of the first six volumes of The Ring Record Book which contain the fights of such boys as Lulu Costantino, Benny Bass, Lew Tendler, Tommy Forte and Frankie Carto?

A—*Sorry, they are unavailable. A complete set of Ring Record Books from 1942 through 1956 recently sold for 100 pounds ($280) in London. They are now a collector's item.*

ARTHUR MANNING, NORFOLK, VA.

Q—If Floyd Patterson goes abroad and arranges exhibitions and in one of these he should be knocked out, would he lose his crown? How about a bout of six, eight or ten rounds to a decision?

A—*No. If bouts are listed as exhibitions, and no decisions are permitted, no judges are appointed and large gloves are used and other protective measures taken. If, however, he enters a bout in which referee and/or judges are appointed by the authorities with power to render a verdict, he would lose the title if the verdict were against him since definitely such bout would be a championship match.*

TV CONTROL OF BOXING WELCOMED BY DEMPSEY

By DAN DANIEL

SOMETHING new has developed in major boxing. Television is trying to take over, and perhaps it will succeed. The actual promoter of the Patterson-Harris fight in Los Angeles is Teleprompter, which will conduct the closed circuit theatre telecasts all over the country, with a guarantee of $250,000 to the fight.

Since professional promotion has not been doing so well, control of big boxing by television may prove the big panacea for ring ills, which the game long has awaited.

TV sponsorship of major fights was discussed for The Ring Magazine by Jack Dempsey, in the course of a talk about the troubles of boxing in New York, and its problems all over the nation.

"In regard to television taking control, why not?" Dempsey asked. *"Maybe this is the big answer. Certainly the International Boxing Club has made no tremendous success of the job.*

"TV control, with responsible people at the helm, would be a fine thing if the people involved knew their business and did not introduce amateur ways of thinking and amateur systems of operation.

"Television control could increase the financial incentive to the fighter and clean up the fighter-manager relationship. Or am I hollering for the impossible?

"Promoters and managers hog the receipts. The boxer fails to get his just dues. A kid collects $4,000 for a televised fight, and goes home with about one grand. He is cut up and sliced up like a delicatessen ham.

SEES POSSIBILITY OF BOXING BOUNCING BACK

"Do you know what television control could do for boxing?" Dempsey continued. *"TV could operate boxing schools.*

"Boxing is handicapped through loss of small clubs the way major baseball is hurt through the dying off of the minor leagues.

"If the TV people were to take real control, and have regional schools, with the assurance of a fair deal for the boxers and the elimination of scoundrel, under-cover managers, the game would bounce back with tremendous vigor.

"I believe that these boxing schools could have a big influence in beating down juvenile delinquency.

"Those who are so quick to fault boxing as an alleged source of juvenile crime,—and adult crime, as well,—fail to support their yammer with real evidence.

"Sure, there are nasty kids, no-account kids hurt by terrible family conditions. But where do boxing's enemies get any evidence of boxing's complicity in juvenile crime?

"I have all sorts of ideas for solving the hundred problems of boxing. Some of them may be years ahead of our time. I believe that a national organization with a Landis as Commissioner would be a big help. I believe a Boxing Foundation would be a wonderful thing.

"I think that if the managers stopped being so greedy, and showed a real interest in the boys, instead of letting them go punchy, we would eliminate many of the reformers' objections.

"Some managers have a way of keeping their fighters broke. Those men should be kicked out of the business. They are on a moral par with dope sellers."

WARNS BOXERS NOT TO OVERSTAY THEIR WELCOME

"I want our boxers to look ahead, and not to overstay their time in the ring," Dempsey continued. *"I want the kids to think of the future. How long can a boxer fight professionally? Is it fair to make him forget the inevitable day?*

"I want the kids to have jobs outside of boxing. I want them to be independent of ring income. At least, until the day when they are champions and can afford to concentrate on the ring, and just that.

"But the average boxer should find some kind of work, and develop it with an eye to the day when he will say goodbye to the gloves.

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THE MAT WORLD

By NAT LOUBET

MEXICO long a hot bed of pro boxing is hatching a fine crop of wrestlers in both men and women categories. Moving into U. S. rings from South of the Border is Miss LaTapatia, 130 pounder, a real beauty with a style that is flashy and still scientific. Among the masked grapplers El Medico has been going great guns in Texas and now a Mexican gal, "La Dama En Mascarda", is preparing an invasion into U. S. rings. Another of the ladies from the land of the bull fights is Mexico's champ, Irma Gonzales, who has had some success in Texas rings.

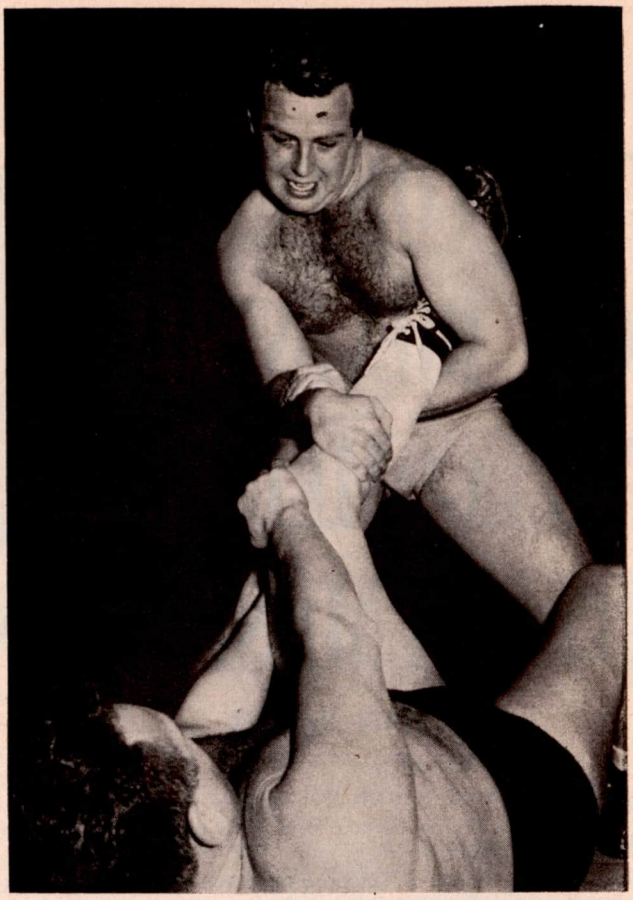
Kurt Von Brawner, Munich, Germany villain, who packs ferocity within 270 pounds, stacked tightly onto a 6′ 4″ frame, is taking over where Dirty Dick Raines left off with his famous back-breaker.

Out Dennis Stecher way, Minneapolis, Minn., Llio Di Paolo, now a U. S. citizen, has named that city as "home" . . . he uses a version of the airplane spin made so famous by Jim Londos . . . he also offers to down any professional boxer in less than six minutes. . . . Carl Engstrom, an ex ballroom and adagio high stepper can thank Lou Talaber, well known amateur coach, for his chance among the grunters. . . . Carl developed his muscles while at De Paul University and dancing further developed the body that has stood him in such good stead as a grappler.

August 23 and 24 will be the dates for the Ohio get-together rally for all fan club officials and members in that area. The event will be staged at the Southern Hotel at Columbus with the registration fee being 50¢. Each person signing up will receive for his 50¢, a program and a gift package . . . oh yes . . . there will be a banquet at five P.M. on the 23rd, cost $3.50, including the food. There will also be a wrestling match . . . free to all who attend the rally. . . . Alice Post will take your dough. Address: 521 South 3rd Street, Columbus, Ohio.

William A. Wilson still going strong with his highly interesting result sheet, for those interested the cost is $1.00 for 12 issues. Address: P.O. Box 7003, Country Club Station, Kansas City 13, Missouri.

Word has it that Johnny Rougeau now operates a beauty parlor. . . . Antonino Rocca, most recently packed them in at Paul Bowser's Boston Garden. . . . Rocca holds record for drawing most fans into New York's Madison Square Garden (20,000) and arenas in Tokyo, Los Angeles, Omaha, Chicago, Montreal and several cities in Argentina.



Clark Cavanaugh, New England Villain, temporarily held the advantage over Harry Lewis as the latter applies pressure to his leg hold. However, Lewis won the match when Cavanaugh was disqualified for unnecessary roughness in their New London bout.

FAN CLUBS

Want to join a Fan Club? Here's a few new ones: Yukon Eric Fan Club, President, James Williams Jr., 57 Nason Parkway, Lackawanna 18, N. Y. Bill Curry Fan Club, President, Mervyn C. Linklater, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, Canada. Sharon Lass Fan Club, President, Janet Malczewski, 5542 South 20th Street, Milwaukee 15, Wisconsin, Len Rossi Fan Club, President, Polly Kidd, 3343 Selma Ave., Knoxville, Tenn.

Thanks to President Margie R. Baberian of the Stanlee Brothers Fan Club for the honorary membership. Miss Baberian can be contacted at 4703 Sansom St., Philadelphia 39, Pa.

An interesting letter:

Dear Nat:

I have been going to write for ages but have just been too busy. The fan club business, at least on this end, has been booming.

I want to thank you so much for running that article on Steve Stanlee. Steve is a nice fellow, and deserves more recognition than he generally gets. I haven't had a chance to see Steve, but I am sure he appreciates it every bit as much as I do.

Since you listed my club in your Fan Club Corner, I have gained several new members. Received a letter from a wrestling fan in Bristol, England who wants to join the Tendler club, having read about it in your mag. Thanks for the big boost. Mark and I truely appreciate it.

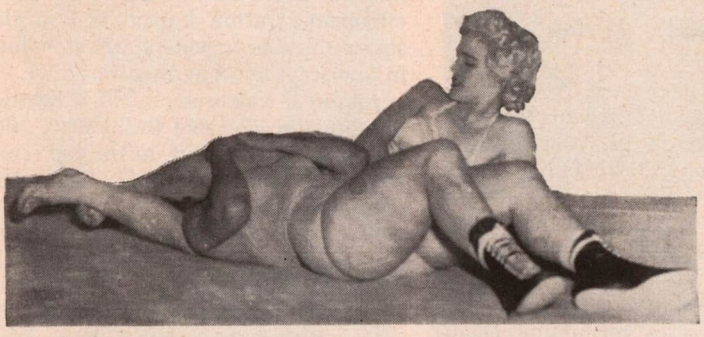
Also, many thanks for mentioning the Fourth Annual National Wrestling Fan Club Convention in your June issue. Bette Kreiger and I, as well as the other girls who have worked so hard on the committees, are greatly indebted to you for your help.

I like the enlarged Wrestling section of Ring very much. Keep up the good work! Again, many thanks for all your help.

Sincerely yours,
Janet Story

1958 NATIONAL FAN CLUB CONVENTION

The site was Buffalo, New York, with the Statler Hilton housing the various fan clubs and their staffs. Bette Krieger acted as a reporter for The Ring.



The bare footsie, Judy Grable, applying scissors hold to head of Kitty Adams in Tulsa, Oklahoma bout won by Grable, the female Antonino Rocca.

Pedro Martinez, top man in the territory, played host. A good part of the time was spent, courtesy of Pedro, at the Buffalo Memorial Auditorium watching the antics of some of the leading grapplers in the East. The red carpet was rolled out for the various clubs. Dinners, night clubs, interviews, were gained with leading promoters like Ed Don George; wrestler, Whipper Watson, Verne Gagne, Wilbur Snyder, Herb Gerwig, Steve Stanlee, Jackie Nichols, Gene Kinski among others.

The 1959 FC Convention Committee was chosen with Mr. Sam Muchnick as the promoter and the committee consisting of:

Florence Smith, Hazel Curiel, Carol Holmes, Tony Dragotta, Kathy Weiss. The next affair will take place in August of 1959.

MARIA BERNARDI

The girl with the "Flying Mare," Maria Bernardi, who has campaigned for over 20 years—was one of the pioneers in the field of women grapplers—and is still going strong.

A native of Palermo, Sicily, Miss Bernardi says: "Wrestling, *I'd rather toss an opponent out of the ring than to wrestle a mop or dish rag all day, this is the life I love.*"

Maria received the basics of the bone cracking industry from her father, Nick, at age 5, despite the objections of her mother who felt that wrestling was unladylike and that Maria could get hurt.

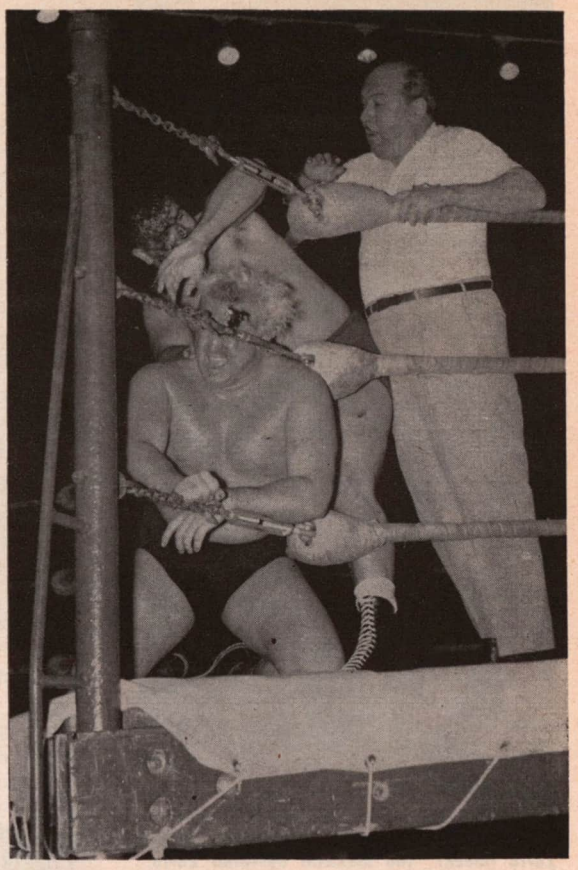
Maria laughed: "*She* (Maria's mother) *was wrong on the first count* but right *on the last. . . . I've had my share of broken bones in the ring.*"

That may be true but one of America's toughest meanies in the ring leaves her rivals strewn in much worse shape than she has ever found herself.

In addition to her "Flying Mare" Maria is adept at eye gouging, hair pulling, shin skinning and mayhem in general. Outside the ring she is as ladylike as imaginable.

Miss Bernardi was asked how long she thought she would continue to wrestle.

"*Why, do I look that old?*" she continued, "*I'm not going to stop until I get so old that I have to crawl in and out of the ring.*"



Bloodied up himself, Don Joyce, pro football player, dishes out cuts and bumps as he rocks and rolls the head of Dr. Jerry Graham against the ring post. Referee Harry Smith disqualified both contestants for unnecessary roughness in their Baltimore, Md. meeting that did little to decide who was tougher.

Maria is fearless and will take on anyone. She has wrestled in carnivals where she has challenged anyone in a crowd, she's had it out in a ring war with Mildred Burke and has wrestled men pro's and amateurs including Gil Landau, who went on record to state that she was as good as many of the better men grapplers he had faced.

Maria has had some interesting incidents. She recalls a trip to England: "*I had whipped the other gal and was feeling pretty good as I left the ring but then a man came up and gave me a lecture on my mode of wrestling . . . he ended up by knocking me cold with his umbrella . . . not a very gentlemanly thing to do,*" she concluded.

CLARK CAVANAUGH

A new face in the junior heavyweight ranks is Clark Cavanaugh, a native of Westerly, Rhode Island, who works out of Boston, Mass., and has been getting rave notices from the wrestling public.

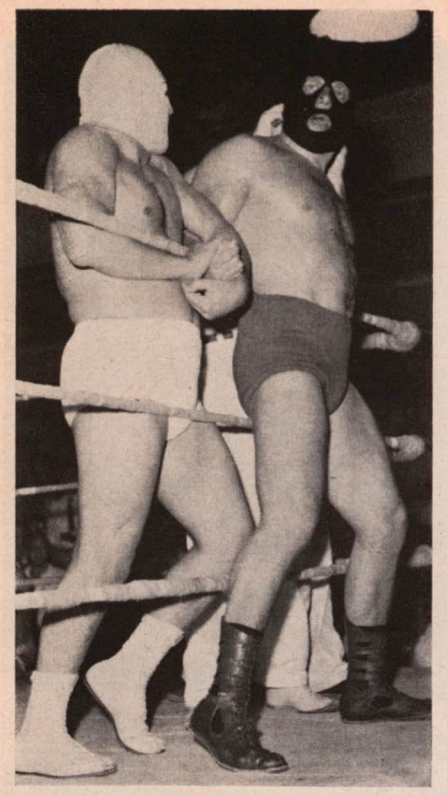
A twenty-one year old, five feet eight, 205 pounder, he has been in the pro grame for two years and has developed into one of the more exciting villains.

A holder of the Black Belt in Judo he is proficient in all the rougher aspects of the mat. He got into wrestling through his interest in Judo and weight lifting and is currently in California where he hopes to become as big a sensation as he has been in the East.

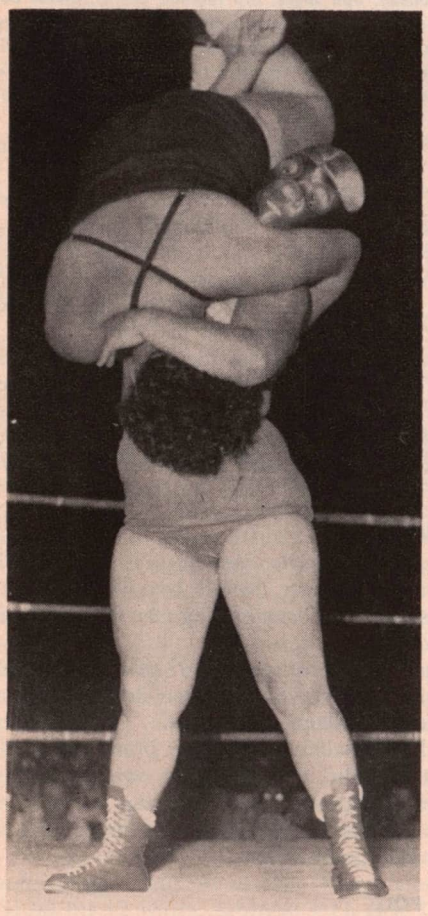
RING POPULARITY POLL

MEN

1. Antonnio Rocca
2. Eduardo Carpentier
3. Dick Hutton



Guess Who? It's the battle of the masked heads. The place was Houston, Texas and the masks housed El Medico (white) and Tarzan Zorro (black). The Mexican defeated Zorro.



Who dat? The masked lady is looking at you as she gets ready to body slam Irma Gonzalez of Mexico in their match in Texas won by Gonzalez. (Photo by Bob Utter)

4. Wilbur Snyder
5. Ramon Torres
6. Lou Thesz
7. Pepper Gomez
8. Johnny Valentine
9. The Great Scott
10. Sandor Kovacs

WOMEN

1. Nell Stewart
2. Mary Jane Mull
3. Penny Banner
4. Millie Stafford
5. Princess Moolah (Champ)
6. Judy Grable
7. June Byers (Champ)
8. Judy Glover
9. Alma Mills
10. Rita Cortez

THE RUGGED NOVA SCOTIAN

By Peg Colwell

Born in North Sydney, Nova Scotia, Danno McDonald started his wrestling career at the age of 12. Working hard at his daily chores on his father's cattle ranch near Hamilton, Ontario, he still found time for amateur wrestling at the YMCA, CYO and Cathedral High School in Hamilton. At St. Michael's College in Toronto, he held the free-style inter-scholastic swimming championship and was a letterman in hockey and football.

Pro Hockey enticed Danno for a while, but with the season so short, wrestling proved to be a better living. He developed the rugged, clean and scientific style that demands the respect of the mat world. He has wrestled in most of the 48 states (including Alaska) Canada, England and Mexico. Danno held the Northwest Intermountain title for several months. With Scotty Williams as his partner, they copped the Tag Team title in the same area.

A family man, pleasant and modest, Danno prefers to talk about his lovely wife, Phyllis, and two daughters, Donna and Shirley, rather than his own personal achievements. A large, comfortable trailer home makes it possible for his family to travel with him.

His favorite hobby is horse training, roping and dogging. Occasionally he participates in rodeo events. He also takes time out to go hunting and fishing.

Standing 5′ 11″, weighing 226, this rugged veteran of the mat is capable and will back off from no one. Although inclined to stick to the rules, with his fast and rugged wrestling, he can mix it up when necessary and get as rough as need be. The Avalanche is his favorite hold.

TEXAS ROUNDUP

By Bob Utter

A near capacity crowd of 11,000 was on hand at the City Auditorium in Houston, Texas, to see world's heavyweight wrestling champion Dick Hutton defeat International Champion Lou Thesz in a match that was backed by one of the finest supporting cards ever seen in the Lone Star State.

Hutton, the former Oklahoma A&M University and United States Olympic star, accepted a $25,000 guarantee to face Thesz. The match was good, although it played second best to two under-card bouts.

Hutton, 220, Tulsa, Oklahoma, won the first fall in 16:32 with a grapevine while Thesz, 229, St. Louis, Mo., scored second honors in 11:56 with a drop kick and a body press. Thesz was disqualified during the third fall by Referee Jersey Joe Walcott for kicking low. As Thesz aimed a drop kick at his opponent, Hutton leaped high in the air causing his opponent to catch him in foul territory. The time was 8:21.

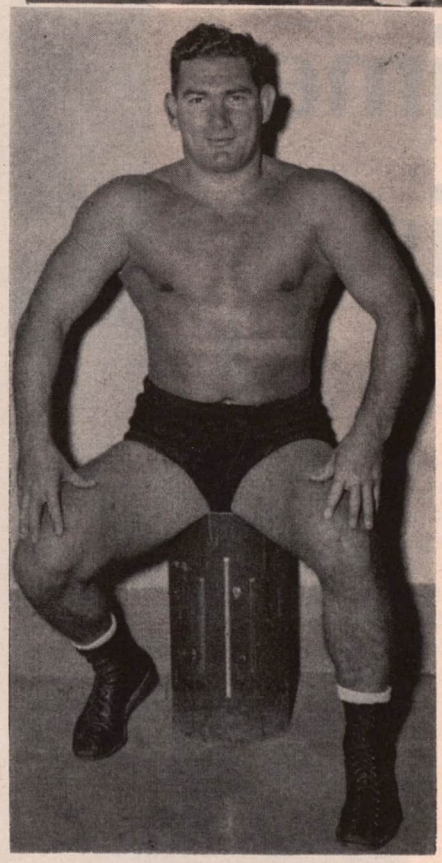
Johnny Valentine, 230, Seattle, Washington, defeated Bull Curry, 208, Hartford, Connecticut, in the top semi-windup presentation. Mr. Sigel, the promoter.

The special event, billed by Sigel and Company as a Russian Roulette Battle Royal, saw eight wrestlers, El Medico, Pepper Gomez, Bull Curry, Johnny Valentine, Rito Romero, Stu Gibson, Mad Man Martin and Tarzan Zorro in the ring at the same time. Rules on a match such as this are that a man has to be hurled over the top rope before being eliminated. Valentine was the first to go. Gomez was the winner.

Promoter Sigel, who has staged everything at a wrestling show from a wedding to a symphony concert, has headlined a big beauty contest for July 4th. This will feature Houston's most charming lovelies. It will be held in the ring

Otto Von Krupp receives warning from referee Bobby Bruns for roughing up Dick Hutton during their match in Kansas which was won by Hutton. The ex heavyweight boss, Hutton, came back, as every hero should, to win.

Maria Bernardi, a veteran of the women wrestlers, a 20 year gal in the mat sport, who has built up a reputation for action as the "Meanest Gal In The World." She stands 5' 5" and weighs 140 pounds of real solid muscle.



Above: A couple of Latins in Manhattan. Antonino Rocca, center, and Miguel Perez, left, cavort together down Fifth Ave., New York City, the occasion was the Spanish Parade. Left: Nova Scotia's entrant for high honors in wrestling, standing 5' 11" tall and weighing 226 pounds, Danno McDonald is as rough and tough as they come and welcomes all comers.

at the City Auditorium. Sometimes I'm glad that I'm a writer and photographer of rasslin'.

Ed. Note: Late flash from the news ticker informs us that Miss Beverly Bales won the contest and title of "Miss Texas Wrestling of 1958".

WRESTLING MEMORY LANE
By Gene Gordon

In a recent issue of "Ring" the riot in Madison Square Garden was mentioned and this incident reminded me of a night here at the old Charlotte Armory back in the Summer of 1947.

Appearing in Charlotte then was Frank Hewitt, a real rough and tough cookie who had been man handling his opponents with ease for several weeks and local fans had been yelling for his blood, hoping to see some favorite tear him apart.

This night Hewitt had defeated a local favorite in an earlier bout and had dressed in street clothes. He was soon spotted sitting near ringside where he was coaching Wally Dusek against popular Ray Villmer in the main event. The crowd didn't agree to this and all of a sudden some spectator jumped up from his seat and took a punch at Hewitt, while several others joined in. After seeing he couldn't fight off the mob of angry, excited fans, Hewitt ducked under the ring. The few police on hand had a hard time breaking up the riot and getting the wrestler safely back to the dressing room. Before it was finally broken up, Hewitt lost his clothes, his watch, and billfold. He made it to his dressing room in his underwear.

Some crazy fan cut a gash in his thigh that required several stitches. What a wild inght that was. It broke up the main event and will never be forgotten by those who saw it. And Al Smith was badly knifed in Wilmington, N. C. during one of his bouts there a few years ago. It took 72 stitches to close the wounds across his back and chest.

Whatever became of Joe Corbett? Corbett wrestled in Charlotte often during 1948 and in this writer's opinion, was one of the best ever seen here. His pet hold was what he called the "Oklahoma Hayride". A well built fellow who called California home. He had wrestled in many foreign countries like Australia and New Zealand as well as all over the United States.

Other wrestlers I could never forget were Chief Chewocki, that screwball gypsy who used some weird tricks. One time he was banned in some Southern states. He was often caught with tacks concealed in a piece of cardboard hidden in his trunks and once carried

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Camera Flashlight Exploded and Started Fire in Ring as Tommy Burns Kayoed Jewey Smith

By LEON SEE

(This is another chapter in colorful memoirs of Leon See, noted French promoter, who helped to popularize boxing in France, and later "discovered" Primo Carnera.)

WHEN Jim Jefferies retired as undefeated heavyweight champion of the world in 1905, Marvin Hart of Kentucky laid claim to the title on the strength of victories over Jack Johnson in San Francisco and Jack Root in Reno.

Hart was surprisingly beaten in 1906 in Los Angeles by an overblown middleweight, Tommy Burns, a French-Canadian. Burns promptly claimed the heavyweight title.

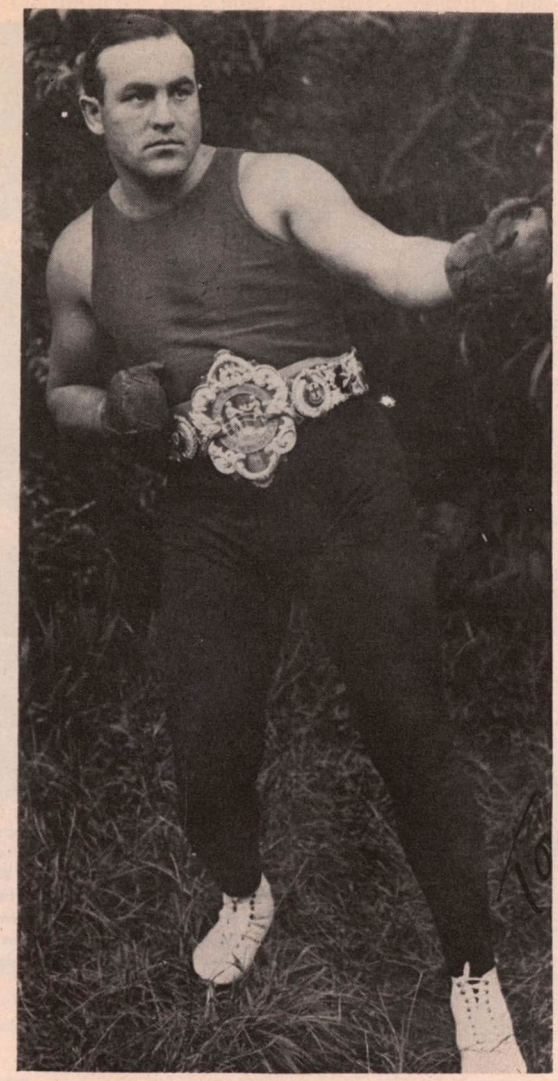
The new champ, who stood only 5 feet 7 inches, and weighed about 165 pounds, probably considered that the crown was not very safe on his head if he had to fight some of the big fellows of the time, such as Jack Johnson, Sam Langford, Sam McVea or even Joe Jeanette so he thought it wise to take a little trip to Europe where he knew there was not one heavyweight who could give him the slightest trouble.

In England, the best man was Gunner Moir whom he had already beaten by K.O. The others were third raters such as Jack Scales, Iron Hague, P. O. Curran, and Jem Roche, the latter champion of Ireland.

In France, where boxing was in its infancy, there was not one single heavyweight and the Noble Art was still unknown in Germany, Italy, Belgium and the rest of the Continent.

A Hot Time In Paris

Recently, Paris was again the scene of a fire in an arena during a world championship bout. This photo shows employees putting out the fire that broke out during the D'Agata-Halimi bantamweight title bout. A similar blaze disrupted the Burns-Smith fight.



Tommy Burns, the little Canadian, who traveled to Europe to cement his claim to the world's heavy-weight crown.

BURNS REACHED ENGLAND UNHERALDED AS CHAMPION

So Tommy Burns arrived in England, rather unheralded for a world champion and he decided he would start a nice and dangerless little tour of Europe. He first met Jem Roche in Ireland and knocked him out in one round. Jack Palmer in London lasted four. Then Tommy crossed the channel to give Paris a little visit.

But Tommy was a wise guy who liked to earn his expenses wherever he went, so the first thing he did when he arrived in the gay capital, was to inquire for the best promoter.

At that time, I was the only one who organized novice contests in France, so I was unquestionably the most important and the very best.

And this explains why the heavy-weight champion of the world entered my little office in Faubourg Montmartre one day in June, 1907.

The converation was, as near as I can recollect after 50 years, the following:

"My name is Tommy Burns. I am the heavyweight champion of the world."

"Mine is Leon See and I am very glad to meet you."

"I am in Paris for a few weeks and I thought you might give me a contest while I am in your city. It should draw well."

"It certainly would, since we have heard of world's championships but never dreamed of witnessing one here," I told Burns, "but there is not one heavy-weight in France worthy of the name, and it takes two men to make a contest, even for the title."

"Couldn't you get an Englishman?"

"Not a bad idea," I replied. "I daresay I could if you don't expect a million dollars for your end."

"What do you think the fight would draw?" asked Tommy.

"I havent the slightest idea. I only promote novice championships with gates varying between 50 and 100 dollars, but there are lots of wealthy people in Paris and I imagine that a big, well advertised contest would be a sensation," I replied.

"What could you guarantee me?"

"Thirty percent of the house."

"Make it fifty and I'll sign."

"It's a bargain," I countered "Ill go over to London tomorrow."

The big boss of the London Wonderland, at the time, was the late Harry Jacobs, who promoted fights in Whitechapel twice a week and managed most of his contestants. He never hesitated to keep time, referee or sell tickets at the door, if it could save a few bob. Jacobs was considered the shrewdest man in the whole East End of London.

"Harry," I said, "I want a good heavy-weight to fight in Paris next month. Have you got one?"

"'Ow much can you afford to pay?" he asked.

"Well, that's just it. You know the game is new in France and we never know what we are going to draw."

"I've got a first rate man, a fellow named Jewey Smith," he said, "I could let you 'ave 'im for a 'undred quid."

I knew Jewey Smith very well and I also knew that Jacobs used to value his services at the Wonderland at about 15 shillings for 10 rounds.

"That's a lot of money, Harry," I told him, "Paris is not London and I could not possibly pay more than 25 pounds and expenses for two."

Harry was a very clever man.

"Well, Leon," he said, and his voice was hardly altered, "you are an old pal of mine, and I'll accept your proposition. You said twenty-five pounds, didn't you?"

"Yes," I said.

"And all expenses for two."

"Yes," I replied.

"Well, let us sign now."

I had contracts ready and I started filling them. Harry had got a hold of himself by the time and perhaps he thought he might have accepted too readily.

"Can't you make it thirty quid?" he asked.

"Oh no," I replied, "It's a lot of money already; it's more than I expected to give."

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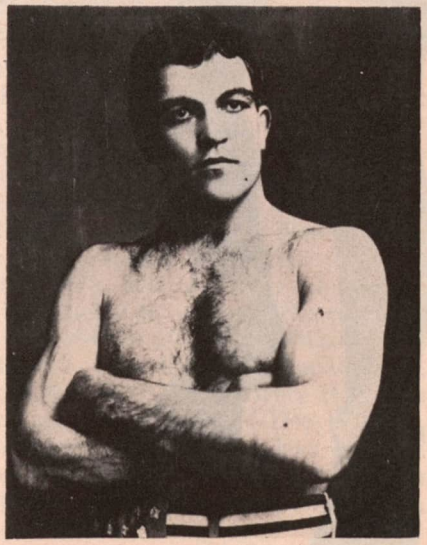
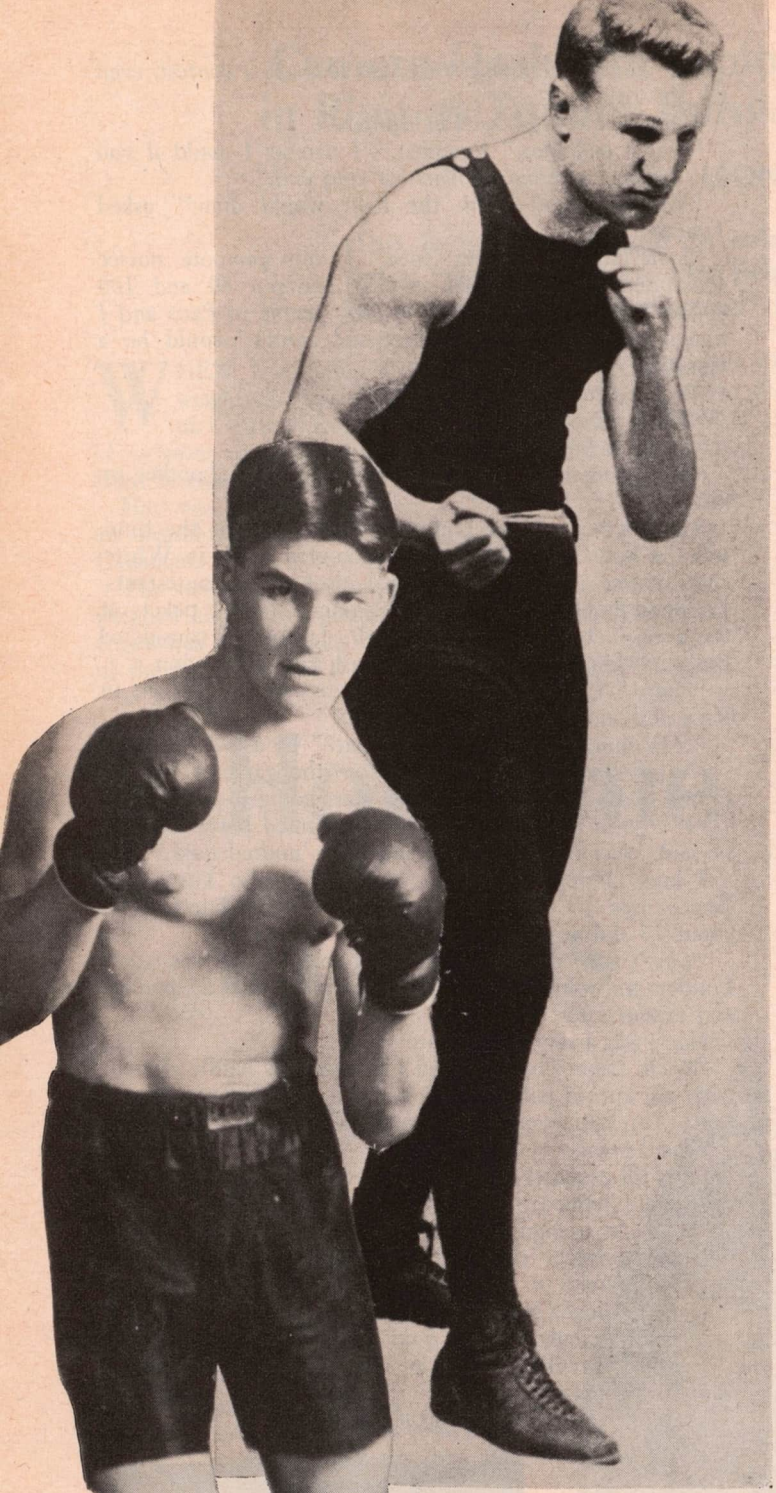


James J. Jeffries, who after his retirement as undefeated champion, refereed the Marvin Hart-Jack Root contest in which Hart kayoed Root to gain a claim on the title which was passed on to Burns when he defeated Marvin in Los Angeles on February 23, 1906.



(Above) Jimmy Carruthers, the most recent southpaw champ in his last fight outpointing Chamrern Songkitrat during a rain storm in Bangkok in 1954. Jimmy retired undefeated following this victory. (Left) Al McCoy above and Lou Brouillard below, two former champions. McCoy was the first lefthander to win a crown while Lou held both the welter and middleweight crowns.

SOUTHPAWS

By LEW ESKIN

LEFT-HANDED performers have become important assets in major league baseball. A lad who can bat or throw from the port side is a valuable adjunct to any lineup. 'Twasn't always thus. Time was when the only spots open for side-wheelers were first base and the pitcher's mound. It was unthinkable to associate them with any other positions in the field. But times change, and today you'll find left-handers playing all over the diamond.

It's a different story in boxing. Southpaws or "wrong-way" fighters, have always been shunned. If a youngster shows up at a gym, announces he wants to be a fighter, and proves to be a left-hander, he is quickly turned around and taught to box from an orthodox stance. If he remains a southpaw, he finds it difficult to obtain fights. Most managers do not want their boys to fight lefties. Unaccustomed to the "reverse" tactics, they start at a disadvantage, often become confused and the result is a poor fight.

The long history of boxing shows a number of outstanding southpaws. Some gained world titles, others failed in their championship bids, while still others were never given a chance at a crown. Most southpaws have been terrific punchers; this power, added to the "wrong-way" stance, was just one more reason to put them on the blacklist.

Fighters Using A Portside Stance Must Make It The Hard Way. Shunned By Orthodox Boxers They Have Record Of Success In Championship Battles.

Of the seven one-round knockouts scored by fighters in winning world championships, three were recorded by southpaws—Al McCoy over George Chip, Jackie Paterson over Peter Kane and Jimmy Carruthers over Vic Toweel. Another southpaw, Young Corbett III, was on the receiving end when Jimmy McLarnin finished him in the opening heat.

George (K.O.) Chaney, terrific-hitting Baltimorean, ranks among the top kayo artists of all-time and many veteran authorities rate him the hardest hitter, pound for pound, in boxing history. While he could hand it out, however, Chaney wasn't so good at taking it himself. He had a fragile chin, and that kept him from reaching the titular heights. In 1916 he was given a chance at the featherweight crown, held by Johnny Kilbane, and was knocked out in three rounds. In a career which spanned from 1910 to 1925, Chaney became the first topline ringster to account for 100 knockout victories. He had 102 when he finished.

One of the first southpaws to attract headline attention was K. O. Brown, who flourished during the early years of the century. It was difficult enough for opponents to figure Brown's left-handed style, but K. O. made the problem even worse for them. He was pigeon-toed and cross-eyed. Brown, who fought as a featherweight and a lightweight from 1903 to 1917, met all the top ones and came close to knocking out Champion Ad Wolgast in a no-decision bout in New York City on March 3, 1911. A month before they had gone six rounds to no decision in Philadelphia. Wolgast won easily enough so Ad was happy to take the New Yorker on again. This time the champion ran into real trouble. Brown almost spilled him in the early rounds and Wolgast never would meet him again.

There have been a few southpaws who whipped champions in non-title bouts. Harry Blitman, a tough 130 pounder out of Philadelphia, handed Tony Canzoneri a good going over on June 27, 1928 while Tony held the featherweight crown. Garvey Young took a decision from Freddie (Red) Cochrane, then welterweight king in Boston on May 8, 1942 and Ronnie Delaney bested welterweight champion Johnny Saxton in Akron on February 11, 1955.

Gabriel (Flash) Elorde, the Philippine feather, took a decision over Sandy Saddler in Manila on July 20, 1955 and was given a title chance in San Francisco six months later. Elorde put up a game fight and was in front for ten rounds before the crafty champion cut him up and stopped him in the thirteenth round. He was not given a rematch, but recently defeated Ike Chestnut to advance to the number three post among the challengers for Hogan Bassey's title.

Delaney, shunned like a plaque at one time went 47 straight fights without a loss from 1948 to 1955, beating welters, middles and even light heavys along the way.

Kenny Lane's shot at Joe Brown's lightweight crown was the twentieth time a lefthander has had a crack at a title. Eight have come home with the prize, Freddie Miller, Al McCoy, Johnny Wilson, Tiger Flowers, Young Crobett III, Lou Brouillard, Jimmy Carruthers and Jackie Patterson, while three others gained some recognition as partial titleholders, being blessed by either the N.B.A. or the New York Commission they were Melio Bettina, George Nichols and Brouillard. Still another, Joe Knight, boxed the champion to a draw. Knight held Maxie Rosenbloom even in Miami on February 5, 1934, but was never given a rematch. "Slapsie Maxie" who fought them all, but said "good-Knight" to Joe.

To quote Maxie's manager Frank Bachman, *"they could go jump into Biscayne Bay before getting a return match."*

The middleweight division has been the southpaws' haven, Al McCoy, the first left-hander to win a crown in modern times; Johnny Wilson and Tiger Flowers all ruled the roost, while Lou Brouillard was recognized by New York after kayoing Ben Jeby in 1933. Lou twice lost on fouls in bids for the crown against Marcel Thil in France after dropping his claim to Vince Dundee.

McCoy, who won the title from George Chip in 1914, passed it on to Mike O'Dowd three years later, O'Dowd, in turn, lost it to another left-hander, Johnny Wilson, in 1920. Wilson lost the title to Harry Greb three years later and failed in an attempt to regain the title. Greb reigned until 1926 when Tiger Flowers once again moved the title to the southside the Georgia Deacon turned back Greb, then dropped the title to Mickey Walker in Chicago on a very disputed call, Flowers' only loss after that was to light heavy Leo Lomski, but Walker never gave him a chance to regain the crown. Flowers, who fought all the top men from welter to heavyweight, was a real topnotcher whose career was cut short following an operation on his eyes in 1927, the after effects causing his death on November 16, just four days after he had kayoed Leo Gates.

During the middle 1940's, Bert Lytell was a formidable 160 pounder who was ducked by many of the top men. Lytell who fought from 1944 to 1951, never failed to give a good account of himself. He defeated Holman Williams, Charley Burley, Coco Kid, Billy Smith, Henry Hall, Sam Baroudi, Joe Blackwood, Jose Basora, and Doc Williams, while boxing Archie Moore, Jimmy Slade, Jake LaMotta, Harold Johnson and Artie Towne. Also active during this time in the middleweight ranks were southpaws Joe Curcio,

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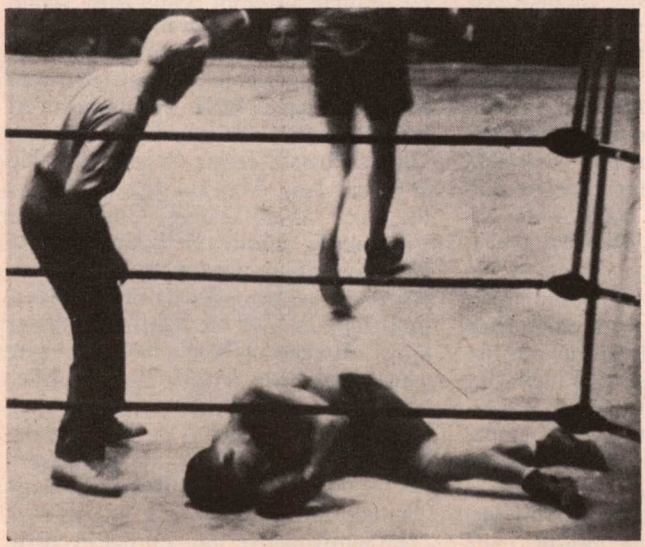

George (K.O.) Chaney, rated by many the hardest puncher of all time, was handicapped by a weak chin. Here he's seen being kayoed by Tommy O'Brien in 1925. Chaney retired following one more bout. He had 100 knockout triumphs during his 16 year career dating from 1910 to 1925, fighting the best men in three classes.

SOUTHPAWS

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Major Jones, Jackie Darthard and Roy Miller.

Melio Bettina of Beacon, N. Y. won recognition from the New York commission as titleholder in the light heavyweight class when he halted Tiger Jack Fox on February 3, 1939 and dropped it to Billy Conn a few months later. He failed in a bid to regain it from Billy and was outscored by Anton Christoforidis in Cleveland in an elimination for the N.B.A. title in 1941. Melio then moved into the heavyweight class and appeared headed for a shot at Joe Louis when Gus Lesnevich knocked him out in one round on May 23, 1947 thus ending what looked like the first southpaw challenger for the heavyweight throne. Before Melio, Jack Gross, Ed Keeley and Junior Munsell had shown some promise, but never developed.

Out of World War II, came a redheaded socking southpaw from San Diego, Sailor Bob Murphy, who rolled up a long string of kayos including Dan Bucceroni, Jake LaMotta and Danny Nardico. A popular favorite he was matched with Joey Maxim for the latter's light heavyweight crown on August 22, 1951. In the first round he staggered Joey with a powerful left, and that was his bid. He stayed the limit with the clever but light hitting champion, taking a sound boxing lesson the rest of the way and soon faded out of the picture.

The first and only southpaw to gain a shot at the flyweight title was the wee Scot Jackie Patterson, who eliminated Peter Kane in only 61 seconds at Glasgow on June 19, 1943. Patterson a busy little scrapper held on to the crown until 1948 when he was stopped by singing Irishman Rinty Monaghan.

In the bantam class Benny Goldberg, a classy Jewish lad from Detroit, fought his way to a championship match against one of the best little men of recent years, Manuel Ortiz, on November 23, 1943 when Manuel was at his peak and Benny, who had twice beaten Ortiz before the West Coast star had won the title, dropped a fifteen round decision, it was a close fight but Benny was not invited back. Ortiz also turned back David Kui Kong Young, a tough little Chinese from Hawaii. Manuel stopped Young in a non-title bout, but David's fine showing earned him a title chance and this time he carried Ortiz the full fifteen rounds losing on points in Honolulu on May 30, 1947. Young was another who turned back a champion in a non-title contest having defeated Ortiz's predecessor Lou Salica in Honolulu on November 3, 1941.

The next southpaw in line was Jimmy Carruthers and he blasted Vic Towell loose from his crown in two minutes, nineteen seconds at Johannesburg on November 15, 1952. Jimmy, a clever boxer as well as a sharp hitter, retired undefeated in 1954 when only twenty-five, eye injuries cutting short his career.

Danny Kramer, a tough little battler out of Philadelphia was matched with Louis Kid Kaplan in the finals of an elimination tourney after Johnny Dundee gave up the title. Kaplan stopped Danny in nine rounds on January 2, 1925. Danny, who fought from 1919 to 1928, was followed in his class by Freddie Miller, from Cincinnati, O.

Miller turned pro when sixteen years old in 1927 and after being turned back by Bat Battalino in 1931, gained a share of the then disputed crown by whipping Tommy Paul in Chicago on January 13, 1933. Freddie fought any time, any where and established himself as undisputed 126 pound king. He dropped the title to Petey Sarron in Washington, D. C. on May 11, 1936 in his tenth defense after having bested Petey three months earlier. He beat Sarron in a non-title bout in Johannesburg on July 31, 1937 and they fought for the title on September 4th also in Johannesburg, this time in twelve rounds. Petey turned back Miller and Freddie returned home, fought for three more years and retired. He won more fights during his career than any other boxer in history.

Lew Tendler, rated by many the best southpaw of all time, had two shots at the lightweight crown losing to Benny Leonard after fifteen rounds in New York on July 24, 1923. Prior to that bout they met in a twelve round no-decision contest in Jersey City, in which Lew left Benny, badly hurt, talking himself out of trouble. The honors in that fight were very close, but in their second meeting Leonard proved the master. The following year Lew tried for the welter crown then worn by Mickey Walker and was outscored in ten rounds at Philadelphia on June 2nd. Lew, who fought from 1913 to 1928 met all the top men from 120 to 150 pounds, most of his bouts were no-decision affairs but his skill and punch gained him great fame.

Eddie Fitzsimmons was a top lightweight out of New York and Dick Honneyboy Finigan of Boston was another 130 pounder who rated high, but neither was able to gain a title match. Thus Lane is only the second wrongsider to challenge for the 135 pound throne.

Young Corbett III, born Ralph Giordano, who started as a pro in 1919 reigned for three months as a welterweight king in 1933 winning the title from Jackie Fields on February 22 in San Francisco and losing it to Jimmy McLarnin on a one round kayo on May 29th in Los Angeles. Corbett later failed in a bid to lift the middleweight laurels from Fred Apostoli when he was stopped in eight rounds five years later. A tough durable battler, Corbett fought 22 years and was thirty-five when he hung up his gloves.

Just previous to Corbett's short reign, Lou Brouillard a crafty portsider from Canada, who fought out of Boston, had a slightly longer time on the throne. Lou beat Young Jack Thompson in Boston on October 23, 1931, then lost to Fields in Chicago on January 28, 1932. Brouillard was another durable scrapper fighting until 1940 before hanging them up.

The remaining southpaw title claimant was George Nichols of Sandusky, Ohio, and Buffalo, N. Y. George won the blessing of the N. B. A. when he topped Dave Maier in ten rounds at Chicago on March 18, 1932. A clever boxer, George never followed up his claim and is forgotten by most.

The fans of today of course remember television glamour boy Chuck Davey who was slaughtered by Kid Gavilan in an attempt to win the welterweight title on February 11, 1953 in ten rounds at Chicago. Chuck, a "Fancy Dan," gained great popular support from the video views, but his college style was ducksoup for the Cuban.

The first southsider to gain fame in the fistic circle was way back in 1832 when William Thompson, known as "Bendigo", gained his honors in England. A terrific scrapper, he won from James (Deaf) Burke on a foul in ten rounds on February 12, 1839 to become the heavyweight champion. He retired two years later, then in 1845 came out of retirement to whip Ben Caunt in ninety-three rounds when Caunt fouled out to rewin the heavyweight crown. He retired again in 1850, still champion, and became an evangelist.

There have been many good southpaws among whom just a few were Joey Haddad, Fitzie Fitzpatrick, Al Mello, Andy Callahan, Sid Barbarian, Willie Russell, Jackie Snyder, Frankie O'Brien, Lew Mayrs, Mickey Maker, Joe Lucy, Wally Thom, Cliff Curvis, Vic Patrick, Johnny Kelly and Gilbert Lavoine. There were many switch hitters such as Juan Zurita, who had a short term as N. B. A. lightweight king; K. O. Morgan, a tough bantamweight who boxed Sixto Escobar for the title. Also converted portsiders like ex welter king Tony DeMarco, ex light heavy boss Paul Berlenbach, ex flyweight ruler Fidel LaBarba and Ray Miller and Charlie White.

Presently active are European light heavyweight champion Willi Hoppner, German middleweight king Gustav Scholz and British lightweight boss Dave Charnley.

Jack Dempsey, the old Manassa Mauler, has taken many young heavyweights under his wing, including Clarence (Red) Burman, a tough but ungraceful fighter. Burman got as far as a title tilt, but only as a foil in Joe Louis' Bum-of-the-Month tour in 1941.

NO FORMER TITLE HOLDER HAS EVER GONE ON TO DEVELOP A WORLD BEATER

ARE CHAMPS JINXED AS TRAINERS?

By LESTER BROMBERG

"YOU draw them in with a feint"—the gesture was a quick dip forward, then have a rapid pull back —"and I'll bet you it won't miss, it never did with me," Benny Leonard told Irish Eddie Dunne.

The kid listened attentively . . . how many youngsters had been lucky enough to have as great an old champion as the undefeated retired lightweight for a trainer?

So they went along, teacher and pupil, with Leonard, a peerless puncher-boxer in his time, convinced that Dunne would develop into a carbon copy of his talents.

One night in 1940 Benny matched his pride and joy with Steve Belloise, then though Belloise had been beaten only twice in 24 fights as a fledgling middleweight (they were fledglings in those years until they had reached 40 or so).

The Leonard feints were fairly effective as Tex Sullivan, an active man-about-boxing at the time recalled, despite a decision to Belloise, won after eight rounds at Madison Square Garden. So Benny was willing, almost eager, to have Dunne fight Belloise again at Westchester County Center, where Sullivan assisted Joe McKenna in the promotion. Besides, both fighters owed McKenna the match. They'd left him to box at the Garden.

Eddie went into the feint in the first round but now Steve was more than ready for him. Before he could even start to pull back, Belloise crashed over a right to the point of the jaw. Dunne stiffened up under the impact and tumbled to the floor. He was cold on a second knockdown.

"It never missed with me," Leonard had mused later in the dressing room. Dunne, a straightforward lad, said: "But you were Benny Leonard. . . ."

Once more there had been highlighted the curious and unhappy inability of an outstanding champion to mould his own image from the clay of average skills.

From the earliest days of the Queensberry era, the jinx—if it may be called that—on champs as trainers has leered at their best efforts. It is in the record that no champion ever developed a champion.

The real old timers recall Jim Corbett, the skillful conqueror of John L. Sullivan, sponsoring a British heavyweight Tom Cowler, some years after his retirement.

Corbett, a vaudeville headliner and consistently capable of getting his message across to an audience, energetically sought to impart American ring know-how to Cowler. For a time he thought he was making it.

The inevitable hour of trial arrived for Cowler against Jack Dillon, erstwhile light heavyweight champion, but better known as "Jack The Giant Killer." And it is noteworthy that Dillon took the fight in New York four days after he was boxing Billy Miske at Superior, Wis.

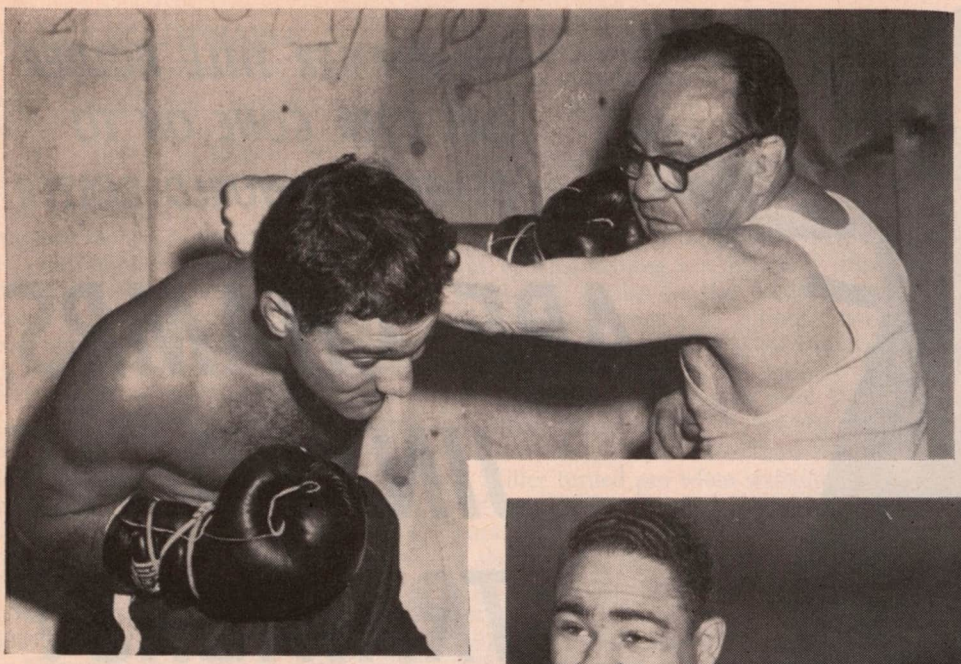
Poor Tom didn't survive the second round.

The result virtually retired Corbett as a trainer. With customary wit, he thereafter referred to Dillon as "the guy who hit me harder than Bob Fitzsimmons."

For the benefit of those who may have come in late, Fitz knocked out Corbett for the heavyweight title with the famous solar plexus punch.

NON-TITLE HOLDERS HAVE ROLLED UP FINE RECORDS

The other side of the coin is revealed by the accomplishments of some non-titleholders turned to training fighters



(Left) Little Charley Goldman, never a champ but an outstanding bantamweight at the turn of the century, has a distinguished record as a trainer, helping to develop Rocky Marciano (left), Lou Ambers, Joey Archibald and Marty Servo, all of whom won titles.
(Below) Can Sandy Sadler (right) break the jinx? The former world featherweight champion has helped the rising young middleweight, Rudy Sawyer, immensely in a short time. Time will tell whether Sawyer, with Saddler training him, can be the first to go all the way.

For example, Charley Goldman, the diminutive familiar corner figure, has a distinguished bantam record stretching from 1904 to 1914 and his record as a trainer is just as distinguished. In fact, it is probably unequalled.

Goldman, working for Al Weill, developed the following world's champions: Lou Ambers, lightweight; Joey Archibald, New York-recognized featherweight; Marty Servo, welterweight, and Rocky Marciano, heavyweight.

Also coming to mind is Jack Blackburn, lightweight of the Joe Gans era, a vicious competitor for the better part of 20 years but who is better remembered as the ex-fighter who made a storied heavyweight champion out of Joe Louis.

The Blackburn-Louis story is a saga . . . each was Chappie to the other . . . and Joe, no matter how he soared in public stature, remained a boy to Blackburn, who unhesitatingly ate him out when he sensed Louis had done wrong, as during the training for the first fight with Max Schmeling . . . there was Blackburn's effective rebuilding of Louis, right up to the climax of his devastating knockout of Schmeling in the return. . . . And the poignant last touch, when, with Jack's health failing, he asked Louis before the second Buddy Baer fight, "make this fight a short one, I can't keep going up and down those steps the way I used to." P. S. It ended in one round.

NOW SANDY SADDLER IS TRYING HIS HAND

But that's only counter-point to the main point, which was brought to the center of the stage recently with the entrance of Sandy Saddler, retired featherweight champion, as a trainer. He has been working with Rudy Sawyer, a promising young welterweight, whose manager is Al Braverman.

Louis, Blackburn's prize pupil, is among the least successful teachers. And he has tried earnestly.

Joe's only non-flop was Holman Williams, the journeyman middleweight. And here the case was unusual, Holman was older and had been his instructor when he was an amateur. Commercially he couldn't do any good for Williams. He finally turned him over to Charley Rose, the frisky ancient, who made a barrel of money for Holman.

But those others! Such headaches for Louis.

There was Dave Clark, a likely light heavyweight. One night at Nutley, N. J., Louis was his well-ballyhooed second when Clark faced Gus Lesnevich. Solid-sending Gus planted Dave at Joe's feet in the first round—and it was all over.

Then it was Paul Andrews, a handsome big fellow who imitated Louis' stalking style—and who could hit, too. But Paul, he let Joe down against Harold Johnson in Madison Square Garden, being flattened in the sixth round in 1955. A second time that year he blew up against Bob Satterfield, who knocked him out in six rounds at Buffalo.

Around this time Louis became 'punching coach' to Gil Turner, a willing student. But they were scarcely out of the primer stage when Turner boxed Al Andrews, a notoriously light hitter whom he had beaten previously by decision. There was improved punching in the return, also at Chicago. However, it was by Al (no kin to Paul Andrews, incidentally), who showed the dynamite, knocking out Gil.

JACK DEMPSEY NO BETTER THAN BROWN BOMBER

Louis could take heart, though, from the experiences of another superlative heavyweight champion, Jack Dempsey, as an instructor.

Once Dempsey had an ex-heavyweight champion as a charge, Max Baer. And it was Louis, then in his prime, who made Jack's job so difficult.

Dempsey had Baer training at Speculator, N. Y., in the

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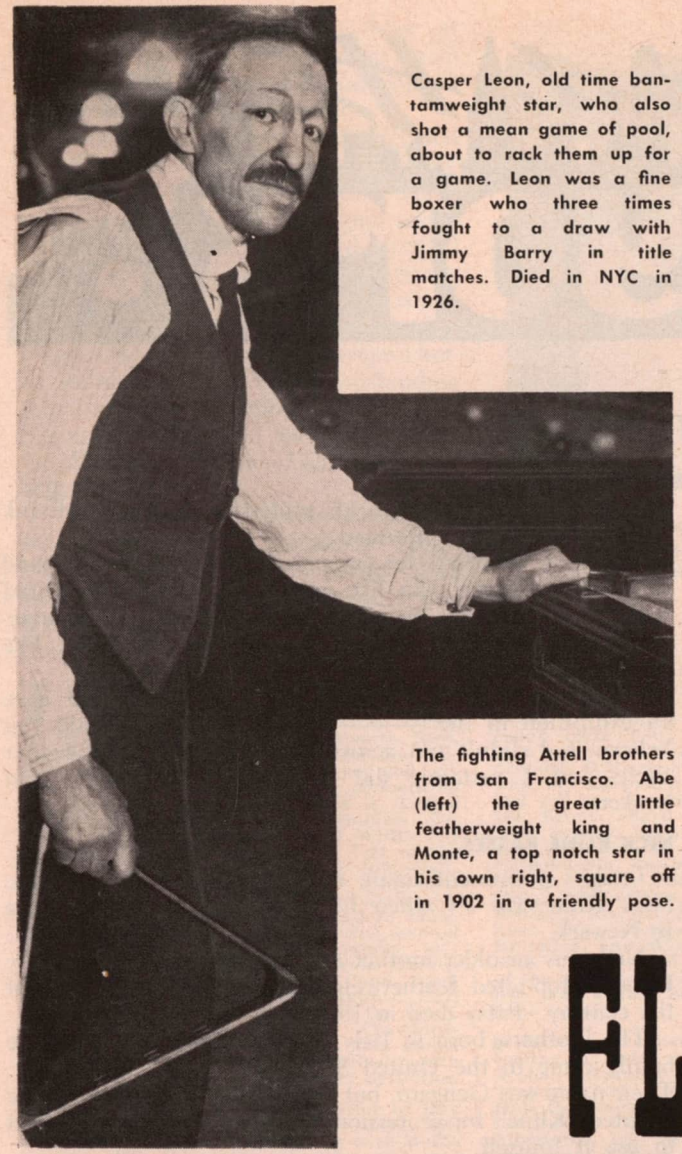
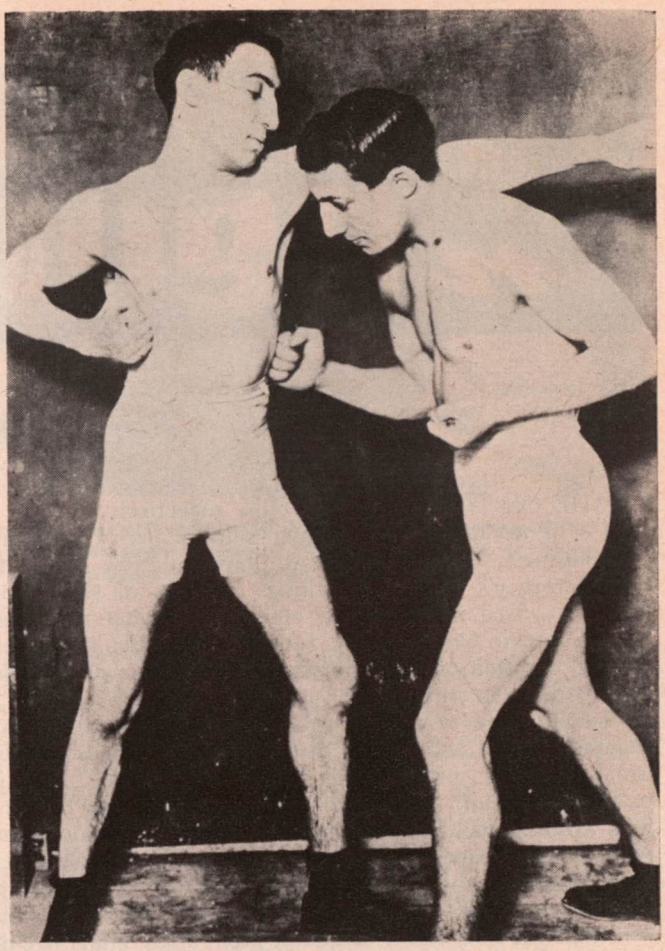


Casper Leon, old time bantamweight star, who also shot a mean game of pool, about to rack them up for a game. Leon was a fine boxer who three times fought to a draw with Jimmy Barry in title matches. Died in NYC in 1926.



The fighting Attell brothers from San Francisco. Abe (left) the great little featherweight king and Monte, a top notch star in his own right, square off in 1902 in a friendly pose.

FLASHBACKS

Take me out to the ball game. Stars of the sports world and theatre get together to aid he crippled children. Left to right are Thomas W. Ross; A. L. Erlanger; Jack Gleason; George M. Cohan; Joe Humphreys; Sam Scribner; Terry McGovern; Jack Welch; Jules Hurtig; DeWolf Hopper; George Beban and James J. Morton. The scene is the original Yankee ball park in New York.

Seen and Heard in new york

By JERSEY JONES

THE Old-Timer rubbed his chin, reflectively.

"I see they're still tossing mud all over the boxing business," he said. "Now we have the New York District Attorney's office 'unearthing' all sorts of shady shenanigans—fixed fights, bribed officials and what not. And State Supreme Court Justice Samuel Hofstadter is howling for the abolition of professional boxing because of what he calls 'its links to crime.'

"I don't know of any trade that has to take such constant slugging as this fight game. Any time one of those Hollywood characters picks boxing for a movie theme, a radio or television plot, or a book to write, he clogs up the cast with crooked gamblers, gunmen, gangsters and hoodlums. And the newspapers don't help matters. Look how often they headline the arrest of an 'ex-boxer' for robbery, peddling dope or something of the sort? When you check you learn the bum had a couple of preliminary bouts twenty or thirty years before. The fact that he may have worked at a dozen other jobs is conveniently overlooked. Being a truck driver or a longshoreman or a factory hand is too commonplace. It's more sensational to label him an 'ex-boxer.'

"Nobody claims boxing is lily white. What business is? If you hear of a banker going to prison for embezzlement, you don't classify all bankers as thieves. If a doctor poisons his wife, does that make the medical profession a collection of mass murderers? If a few labor union chiefs are grabbed for extortion, is the whole labor union movement denounced as a racket? So why condemn the entire boxing business for the dirty machinations of a few off-color individuals?

"With the muck that's being constantly dumped on it, no wonder the public is convinced the fight business is a racket for human riff-raff."

A FRANK GOTCH STORY.

The Old-Timer paused for a moment, then continued:

"There must be something solid and substantial in a trade that can take all this mud-slinging year after year and continue to survive. I've known some mighty swell guys in boxing. They may not have been mental giants, but they've been decent, hard-working citizens, doing the best they could in a rugged business.

"For myself, I've spent practically a lifetime in boxing and so far I've never been slugged in an alley, shot at by a disgruntled gambler or had a racketeer muscle in my operations. I've gone along minding my own business, and I'll match my moral record with anything you can produce in any other profession.

"When I get to thinking of the battering boxing has to take, I am reminded of the story Frank Gotch, one of wrestling's all-time greats, used to delight in telling.

"Gotch, well educated and an interesting conversationalist, met up with a distinguished looking gentleman on a train, and they got to talking of this and that. Along the way this chap asked Gotch his profession, and when Frank told him he seemed horrified.

"'You, a wrestler!' he exclaimed. 'I cannot understand how an intelligent man like you could become associated with such a shoddy business. Why, it's as bad as prize-fighting. I thought, perhaps, you were a lawyer or, like myself, a banker.'

"Gotch smiled. 'It's strange,' he said, 'but I just gave an exhibition in the ——— Penitentiary, and would you believe it, I didn't run across one wrestler or prize-fighter there—but I certainly did meet a lot of lawyers and bankers.'"

NICK KLINE PASSES.

Long a prominent figure in New Jersey boxing circles, Nick Kline was 74 when he died recently at his home in Newark.

Nick was an older brother and manager of the late Patsy Kline, a top-rated featherweight during the early years of the century. Patsy died in 1950.

The brothers, born in Italy, were toddling tots when the family came to the United States and settled in Newark. Their name was Gengaro, but when Patsy began fighting he adopted "Kline" for professional purposes and Nick decided to use it himself.

Although Patsy had an assortment of co-managers during his busy career—which included five meetings with Abe Attell, two with George (K.O.) Chaney and others with Johnny Kilbane and Johnny Dundee—it was Nick who had the final say on any bouts booked for his brother.

With the experience he picked up in those years, Nick continued active in boxing after Patsy quit fighting. He managed several ringsters, and as a member of the "Four Horsemen" he was associated with most of the important promotions in Newark.

Nick also operated a tavern in Beaver Street, and it became a popular rendezvous for stage celebrities as well as the fight crowd and newspapermen.

Nick's health began to fade about the time Patsy died. He gave up the tavern in 1952 and quietly drifted away from the old scenes.

ODDS AND ENDS.

Bouquets to the Louisiana Legislature for a grand gesture to a grand guy. Ex-bantam champion Pete Herman, who has done such an excellent job during his several terms on the Louisiana State Athletic Commission, has been appointed, through special legislation, to life-membership on the board. That's really giving recognition where it is deserved.

Discussing commissions, it looks as though our own New Yorkers play no favorites. One of their rules calls for an automatic 30-day suspension of a fighter who has been knocked out. When Referee Barney Monte was flattened by a wild

punch during a preliminary bout at Eastern Parkway, the commission classified him as a "contestant" and slapped him with the usual suspension.

When Ray Robinson finally decided to call it quits, George (Emperor) Gainford may have another Detroiter ready to bid for a title. Unable to gain recognition around here, Gainford shipped Ted Wright to Europe and the young man has become something of a sensation over yonder. Unbeaten in his first nine starts against some of Europe's better welterweights, Wright's outstanding achievement was a victory in Rome over Bruno Visintin, who has since taken the Italian title from Giancarlo Garbelli.

(Note to the gentleman who sends out boxing news for Mennen's: Tonga is not a British colony in Africa. Also known as the Friendly Islands, it is a British protectorate in the South Pacific.)

Without the inspiration and advice of Ray Robinson in his corner, Otis Woodward (right) was beaten by Canadian middleweight champion, Wilf Greaves, at the St. Nicholas Arena. Greaves was too experienced and too rough for the youngster.

THE month's results:

Topping the third "young talent" card in succession at Eastern Parkway Arena, ex-Olympian Jose Torres, 164, Puerto Rico, punched too hard and too often for Joe Salvato, 166, Yonkers, and the scheduled six ended at 1:40 of the fourth. A co-featured six also was abbreviated when a Torres stablemate, another former Olympian, Joe Shaw, 142½, St. Louis, stopped Willie Joe Johnson, 146½, South Africa, at 1:11 of the third. In an assortment of fours, John Gadson, 160½, Brooklyn, decisioned Tony Santiago, 159½, Puerto Rico; Greatest Crawford, 162, Brooklyn, whipped Don Bailey, 162½, Bronx; Grey Gavin, 146¾, Brooklyn, scored over a borough rival, Bobby Angelo, 147; Clyde Washington, 145½, won from Harvey McCullough, 150, Bridgeport, Conn., and Charley Forest, 186, Harlem, stopped Earl Harper, 181, Brooklyn, at 2:12 of the third. Barney Monte, refereeing the Crawford-Bailey bout, was flattened by a wild punch in the third round and a badly gashed mouth forced him to retire from further activities.

▶ Without the advice and inspiration of Ray Robinson in his corner, Otis Woodard, 161, Memphis, Tenn., had rough going with Wilfie Greaves, 159, Edmonton, Canada, and was outboxed, outpunched and outroughed in a rugged ten at St. Nicholas Arena. Greaves, who holds the Canadian middleweight title, was too strong and experienced for Woodard. Wilfie forced the action throughout and scored almost as often with his head as with his hands. Both boys suffered cuts over their left eyes, but the damage was not serious enough to affect the outcome. Retired for several years, Mike Colucci, 148, Long Island City, returned to action in the semi-final eight, and was beaten by Bill Flamio, 149½, Bronx. In fours, Emile Griffith, 149½, West Side, won from Bobby Gibson, 151¾, Stamford, Conn.; Tom Hough, 169, Newark, N. J., triumphed over Al Whitt, 173½, White Plains, and Bobby Baretis, 147½, Astoria, polished off Lou Phillips, 143½, Rutherford, N. J., at 2:24 of the first.

▶ A strong rally in the closing rounds carried Johnny Busso, 137½, East Side, to a split decision over previously unbeaten Carlos Ortiz, 137, Bronx, in a nip-and-tuck ten in Madison Square Garden. The stylish Ortiz, with a pro record of 26 wins and one no-decision affair, was leading until late in the eighth when Busso staggered him with a right to the chin shortly before the bell. That punch seemed to take something out of Ortiz. He was well battered in the ninth and although he fought back desperately in the tenth he was unable to hold off the determined Busso. At that, one of the officials, Judge Artie Schwartz, voted for Ortiz, but he was outnumbered by the other judge, Bill Recht, and Referee Barney Felix, who tabbed for Busso. The bout topped the first card of three tens staged in the Garden in several years. In a free-trading semi-final, Frank Ippolito, 142½, Bronx, overcame a first-round knockdown, hampering eye cuts and a seven-pound weight handicap to edge out Tony DeCola, 149½, Brooklyn. In the opening ten, Danny Russo, 150, Brooklyn, was too strong for Charley Cummings, 143½, Philadelphia. Edmund Carter, 146, Linden, N. J., outpointed Frankie Van, 149¼, Jersey City, in a four.

▶ Boxing well on the defense and scoring consistenly with left jabs and occasional rights, Eddie Lynch, 147, West Side, continued his winning campaign at St. Nicholas Arena by taking a close but unanimous decision from Tony DiBiase, 149½, Astoria, in a not-too-exciting ten. The rugged, aggressive DiBiase set the pace most of the way, but his punching was mainly in flurries and not too accurate. Arthur Cunningham, 140, Bronx, edged out a split verdict over Nick Procak, 144½, a borough rival, in the semi-final six. In fours, Joe Melito, 134¼, Philadelphia, was an easy winner over Marty Rivera, 135½, Puerto Rico; Tito Galvan, 138½, Puerto Rico, had the better of Tony Santana, 133, Brooklyn; Jimmy McNair, 157, East Side, decisioned Joe Rubino, 158½, Brooklyn, and William Pickett, 154½, West Side, was credited with the only knockout of the night when Jimmy Johnson, 149, Harlem, was unable to answer the bell for the final round.

▶ Olympic graduate Jose Torres was becoming a habit at the Eastern Parkway Arena. Heading the fourth consecutive "young talent" card at the Brooklyn skating rink, the Puerto Rican, 161, proved too strong for willing but outgunned Wes Lowery, 153, Allentown, Pa., in a busy six spiced with some hard-hitting exchanges. The card was one of the best yet arranged by Matchmaker Foe Fleischer. The boys were so evenly paired that not one knockout was scored; every match going its full route. The semi-final, also a six, produced a decision for Danny Logan, 188, Paterson, N. J., over Louis Jones, 192, Rockford, Ill. In one of the fours, unbeaten Greatest Crawford, 159, Brooklyn, stretched his string of wins to seven by outpointing a borough rival, Rudy Corney, 163. Local Brooklynites had a perfect record in three other fours, Oscar Freeman, 133, taking the verdict from Norman Salt, 137, Clark Township, N. J.; Grey Garvin, 157, outpunching Johnny Durant, 158, Bronx, and Clyde Washington, 147, winning from Allen Wilson, 146, Harlem.

▶ Although a strong finish enabled him to edge out a close decision, Willie Dockery, 164¾, Brooklyn, looked anything but a winner at the end of a hard-fought ten with George Benton, 161¼, Philadelphia, at St. Nicholas Arena. Dockery's features were a mass of cuts and bruises, while Benton was unmarked. The Brooklynite got off to an early lead, survived some rough moments during the middle rounds, and outlasted Benton in the closing stanzas. Benton, with a previous record of 33 wins in 36 starts, and numbering Holly Mims, Charley Joseph and Clarence Hinnant among his victims, showed the affects of infrequent activity during and since his Army hitch. In nearly three years he'd fought a total of only 14 rounds in three bouts, and this was the first time in more than four years that he had to travel the ten-round route. He looked very good at times but tiered toward the finish. Frank Keating, 160½, Wallingford, Conn., whipped Joe Lissy, 157½, Yorkville, in the smei-final eight. In fours, Eddie Scurlock, 150¼, Bronx, decisioned Dick Verti, 153, Astoria; Marcel Bizen, 140¼, Jersey City, outfought Nino Malave, 137¾, Puerto Rico, and Tommy Hough, 170½, Newark, N. J., was credited with a kayo when his opponent, Charles Poole, 173, West Side, was not permitted to go out for the second round.

▶ The welterweight ten between Gaspar Ortega, 147, Mexico, and Mickey Crawford, 147¾, Saginaw, Mich., produced some weird voting by the officials in Madison Square Garden. Judge Harold Barnes had Ortega a decisive winner, 8-2 in rounds, while Referee Mark Conn was almost as emphatic for Crawford, 7-3. The other judge, Leo (Bobby Dawson) Birnbaum, gave the deciding ballot to Ortega, but by a close 6-4 margin. Birnbaum was the nearest to the actual score. It was a fast bout all the way, with the shifty Crawford having the better of the early going and durable, free-swinging Ortega finishing the stronger. Showing for the first time in a New York ring, Philadelphia's latest sensation, Len Matthews, 131¾, made it eleven kayos in twelve pro wins by stopping Bobby Rogers, 134¾, Chicago, in the semi-final, also scheduled for ten. One punch in the third, a right, shattered Rogers' jaw and knocked out several teeth, and Bobby was unable to go out for the fourth. Julio Romero, 147½, Puerto Rico, edged out a split decision over Mike Colucci, 148, Astoria, in six. In fours, Bobby Bartels, 146½, Astoria, outpointed Felix Machado, 151, Cuba, and Lou Velez, 147, Brooklyn, stopped Billy Siphar, 146½, Passaic, N. J., at 1:34 of the third.

▶ Gradually fighting his way back to the status he enjoyed as a top-rated featherweight before his career was interrupted by a hitch in the Army, Carmelo Costa, 131, Brooklyn, was given a real workout in a fast-moving ten with Al Tisi, 128½, East Side, at St. Nicholas Arena. Tisi, willing and aggressive, pushed Costa to the limit, and Carmelo needed all his speed, skill and effective counter-punching to stay in front of the busy East Sider. The semi-final, listed for six, was over in a hurry, Von Clay, 166, Philadelphia, twice dropping Richie Hill, 164, Bronx, and finishing him at 1:17 of the first. Puerto Ricans were conspicuous in the fours, accounting for two wins and one defeat. The winners were Bert Reyes, 126½, who outpointed Joey Calder, 128, Brooklyn, and Manuel Rodriguez, 124, who won from Jack Kelly, 122½, West Side. The loser was Tony Santana, 134, who dropped a decision to Santiago Gozzaglio, 134½, Argentina. In another four, William Viera, 134½, Brooklyn, was a winner over Jimmy Cacalis, 133, Flushing.

ADDENDA . . . Rival fight cards in Los Angeles have resulted in an unusual wager between promoters. Each one is so certain his show will outdraw the other's that Bill Rosensohn, sponsoring the Floyd Patterson-Roy Harris affair, and Cal Eaton, producing the Carmen Basilio-Art Aragon mill, are betting their personal $5,000 checks on the box-office figures. Sid Ziff, sports editor of the Mirror-News, is stake-holder. The winner gets his check back while the loser's is turned over to that local charitable organization, City of Hope.

We thought we had seen or heard just about everything that could happen in this fight industry, but Georgia-Florida-Texas heavyweight Cleveland Williams came up with a brand-new one recently when he called off a bout with Dick Richardson in Wales. Williams insisted that "voices from beyond" advised him not to fight.

After checking the statistics in The Ring Record Book, Paul Zabala of Greenfield Cen-

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IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

By BILL MILLER

BOOTS MONROE, 118, is the new bantamweight champion of California, by virtue of a unanimous 12-round decision over Billy Peacock at Hollywood Legion Stadium.

The scoring: Referee Jimmy Wilson, 118-112; Judge Jack McDonald, 117-113, and Judge John Thomas, 118-109.

Peacock injured his left hand in the fourth round, and as everyone knows that is his most potent weapon. Monroe fought a smart battle, after the first few rounds; covered himself well and kept that jaw protected, probably remembering what Peacock did to Raton Macias' jaw a few years ago.

At the outset, it looked like a sure-fire win for Peacock, for he nailed Monroe in round one with a left hook and staggered the youngster. Billy repeated the dose in the 4th, and this time followed the left hook with a right cross that landed high on Monroe's head. It was this punch which injured Peacock's mawley.

Despite the injury, up until the 8th round it was anybody's fight, but Monroe forged ahead in the last four heats.

The crowd was estimated at 3400; gross gate, $4450. The fight was televised.

In the semi-final, slated for six, chunky Jose Hernandez, 133, Tijuana, scored a 4th round knockout over lanky Arvil Burris, 128, Ft. Smith, Arkansas. The fours: Dick White, 130, dec. Terry Young, 126; Rafael Gutierrez, 140, dec. Andy Solis, 138, and Easy Williams, 160, TKO (4) over Pepi Barba, 161½.

▶ Looks like your correspondent from California will have some busy weeks ahead in July and August. I've been retained to handle the publicity for the Floyd Patterson-Roy Harris heavyweight title fight at Wrigley Field here on August 18th. This is the fourth heavyweight title fight in California in fifty years. Jack Johnson vs Stanley Ketchel, 1909; Joe Louis vs Jack Roper, 1939 and Rocky Marciano vs Don Cockell, 1955. I worked the last two.

▶ While veteran Archie Moore, 196, was shooting for his 127th knockout, his opponent, Howard King, 194, was trying for a record of his own. It was King's fourth outing against the lightheavy champion, and he was trying to add to consecutive tries in which Moore had failed to kayo him. This time King lasted the distance, though he was on the floor three times. Result: ten round decision for Moore at the Memorial Auditorium in Sacramento.

King, from Reno, kept moving in the first six rounds, and Archie got no direct shots. But in the seventh Moore connected with a short right which dumped King through the ropes into the press section. Howard arose at nine, and was immediately smashed down for another nine count. King kept clear of heavy damage in the eighth, only to take a third nine count canvas visit in the ninth.

Co-promoters were Jackie King and Fred Pearl. Receipts were a profitable $7712 gross.

Art Dixon, 164, Los Angeles, outpointed Teddy Martin, 172, Sacramento, in six. Four rounders: Norman Smith, 162, TKO'd Thurman Lewis, 162, in 2; Tommy Chan, 132, drew with Al Medrano, 133; George Page, 133, dec. Florenco Olquin, 135.

▶ Using a sharp left hook as his main weapon, Willie Morton, 140, scored a ten round decision over Julian Valdez, 143, in a San Jose encounter.

San Jose's favorite battler shook his Vallejo opponent on numerous occasions, but Valdez managed to stay on his feet throughout.

In eight rounds Joey Padilla, 137, San Jose, outpointed Speedy Henderson, 136, of San Francisco.

Results of fours: Billy Field, 198, dec. Joe Sullivan, 185; Joe Atchan, 165, KO'd Ralph Johnson, 167, in 1.

▶ Newsmen who wound up their stories at the end of the tenth round missed an interesting sidelight to the victory of bantamweight Ross Padilla over Joey Augustin at the Civic Auditorium in Stockton. Padilla's purse was $375, but when he went to collect it, he found it had been attached by a court order for payment of some jewelry bills.

Philippine stalwart Padilla weighed 121—Augustin, from San Diego scaled 120. Point consensus for Padilla: 100-94. Pete Morelli refereed.

Approximately 500 spectators paid a gross of $1031. Willie Hunefeld was the promoter.

Padilla had Augustin in trouble early. A swelling near Joey's right eye closed it midway in the battle. Ross himself became a target in the ninth and tenth, Augustin keeping up a spirited bombardment after opening a cut over Padilla's left optic.

Cleo Frazier, 162, Stockton, outpointed Don Edmunds, 155, in a six-rounder. Four-round results: John Balla, 172, drew with Dave McDowell, 165; Joe Vargas, 127, dec. Carl Gomes, 126; Florencio Olguin, 136, KO'd Joe Aceves, 134, in 4.

▶ Mexico's Mauro Vasquez, winner of 16 in a row as a pro, 129, scored the unanimous verdict over Pete Kawula, 127, at the Olympic Auditorium, L.A. And he has knocked out 14 of his foes.

Unknown locally six months ago, Vasquez was chiefly responsible for the big turnout at the downtown arena, and a gross gate of $10,240. However, Mauro failed to flatten Kawula, and the latter can console himself with the knowledge that he is one of the two men to go the route with the Mexican lad.

The scoring: Referee Tommy Hart, 97-94; Judge Dynamite Jackson, 97-93, and Judge Dick Young, 96-95. Oddly enough, Kawula has never won a fight at the Olympic in four trips to the post, and he has never lost one at Hollywood Legion Stadium, also in four fights.

Ernie Bell, 162, won a split six-round decision over Willie Patterson, 166, in the semi-final.

The fours: Collier Cox, 128, TKO (3) over Dick White, 129; Jeff Jones, 156½, dec. Willie Lewis, 160; and Jimmy Jones, 154, dec. Rickey Freeman, 153½.

▶ Jerry Mullany reports:

Hank Casey, consistent winning San Francisco battler, took the short end of the purse at Richmond in order to get a bout with a top ranking middleweight. In return he got some prestige satisfaction by fighting a draw with Willie Vaughn of Los Angeles. They fought at Richmond Auditorium. Weights: Vaughn, 161; Casey, 158.

Vaughn was guaranteed $1000 by Promoter Jimmy Cosenza. The attendance grossed $2645.

Casey, a 3-1 underdog, surprised the spectators by clearly outpunching Vaughn in the early sessions. But by the fifth Willie picked up steam, and from then on showed why he was in the first 10 of the middleweights. But Casey provided interims in the boxing lesson by retaliating vigorously, causing Referee Vern Bybee, the lone official, to call it 96-96 for the even verdict.

Results of prelims: Willie Barnes, 159, dec. Don Kelly, 156, in 6; Ronnie Perez, 123, drew with Al Carroll, 126, in 4; Jerry Hunnicutt, 154, TKO'd Dick Bohnet, 155, in 4; Norm Smith, 161, dec. Joe Actihan, 164.

▶ Although he lost four out of four in 1957, Irish Tommy Bain, 128, got off to a flying start in his first fight of 1958 at Hollywood Legion Stadium by winning a split 10-round verdict over hitherto undefeated Eddie Gasporra, 129½. It was a sharp upset, for Gasporra was a 4-1 favorite when he entered the ring.

Referee Frankie Van and Judge Dick Young voted for Bain with scores of 98-94 and 96-94, respectively. Judge Dynamite Jackson voted for Gasporra, 95-94. It was Gasporra's first defeat in 16 pro starts.

In the semi-final, slated for six, Al Weill's Liverpool heavyweight, Dave Rent, 189, made short work of Petey Graham, 215, Detroit, by knocking him out in 1:52, Round 1. It was a clean kayo, scored with a left hook to the jaw.

The fours: Dillard Jackson, 157, KO (1) over Leo King, 158½; Ralph Bunch, 139, dec. Artie McCann, 137, and Tony Burton, 174, KO (2) over Dennis Chaney, 170.

▶ Jack Dempsey, the old Manassa Mauler, my good friend for many years past and I hope for many more to come, celebrated his 63rd birthday on June 24th. He got greetings from all parts of this land, and others.

▶ It was impossible for Davey Moore to climb any higher in the fistic ratings, for he is No. 1 contender on EVERYBODY'S list, but he certainly solidified his position as Hogan (Kid) Bassey's foremost foe by scoring solidly over former lightweight champion Lauro Salas at the Olympic Auditorium. Both weighed in at 127.

It was Davey's fourth straight win at the Olympic this year. The crowd, estimated at 8,100, paid $10,124 to see the ruckus. In previous local scraps, Moore scored knockouts over Fili Nava and Vince Delgado, decisions over Victor Quijano, featherweight champion of Mexico, and this decisive win over Salas strengthens his local prestige tremendously.

The turnout was impressive, in view of Lauro's recent losses to Pete Kawula and Ernesto Parra.

There was some talk, immediately after the fight, of bringing Paul Jorgensen to L.A., and Manager Willie Ketchum readily agreed to take the Texan. But the latter was not available.

"Understand", insisted Ketchum, "this is not elimination bout. My fighter is THE number one contender. But I'd like to keep him busy, for he seems to thrive on work. Bassey got himself $70,000 for fighting Moreno here, and he'll get another big payday if he comes back to L.A. to meet Davey Moore." Truer words were never said.

The scoring: Referee Mushy Callahan, 98-86; Judge Dynamite Jackson, 99-86, and Judge Costello Cruz, 99-91.

In the six-round semi, Enrique Arreola, 139, drew with Joe Chavez, also 139. A fast and entertaining scrap. The fours: Larry Mercer, 147, KO (1) over Bunchi Benitez, 152; Manny Gallardo, 127, KO (3) over John Reed, 127, and Young Jackson, 150, KO (4) over Richard McLane, 148.

▶ Charlie (Tombstone) Smith, welterweight champion of California, and a top-ten scrapper on Nat Fleischer's authoritative ratings, retains his title at Hollywood Legion Stadium by scoring a third round knockout over Armando Muniz, Juarez. Both weighed in at 146½.

Muniz got off to a flying start by outrushing the rangy barber. But in Round Three Tombstone got the range, opened a cut high on the bridge of Muniz' nose. Muniz, in desperation, went after Smith, but in doing so left himself wide open.

Tombstone took advantage of one of those openings. A short right to the jaw, fired so rapidly that few of the ringsiders even saw it, sent the courageous Mexican to the canvas for nine. He got up, only to get the same punch again, and this time he was counted out.

It was Tombstone's first local fight of 1958. Earlier this year, on a nationally televised show, he had stopped Joe Miceli and lost by TKO, due to a cut eye, to Sugar Hart.

In the six-round semi-final, Kenny Morris, 128, of Omaha, won the unanimous decision over Jesse Morales, 129, L.A.

The fours: Cesar Sanchez, 120, dec. Richard Coca, 121½; Manny Gallardo, 126½, drew with Raul Serrato, 127, and Richard Kirby, 132½, KO (1) over Paul Shea, 131.

▶ Jose (Toluco) Lopez, 120, turned the tables on Willie Parker, 119, at the Olympic Auditorium before a goodly crowd of over 7,000, which paid a gross of $10,234. A couple of months earlier, this same Parker had stopped Lopez at Acapulco, Mexico, in the 9th.

In the semi-final, slated for eight, Danny Valdez, 126, scored a 7-round TKO over Richie Robinson, 126. The fours: Otis Fuller, 198, dec. Karl-Heinz Wendt, 235; Tony Rios, 135, dec. Joe Jacobs, 133; and Freddie Collins, 128, KO (2) over Howard Carney, 130.

▶ Hank Aceves, 128½, victim of a number of low blows, was awarded a split decision victory over Ernesto Figueroa, Mexico City, also 128½, at Hollywood Legion Stadium.

The lack of a compass cost Figueroa the fight; in fact, there were some who thought that even with four points chalked against him for fouls, Ernesto was entitled to the duke.

Judge George Latka was one, for he tabbed it 92-90 for Figueroa. Fortunately for Aceves, Referee Dynamite Jackson scored it 93-88, and Judge Tommy Herman 98-89, both for Hank.

It was a great fight for the customers, even though the low blows marred the pleasure of the Aceves' rooters. Hank's best round was the 7th when he scored the only knockdown of the scrap.

In the six-round semi, little Abe Villa, 115, scored the unanimous verdict over Mike Rios, 118. The fours: Jimmy Mitchell, 137½ and Joe Tarin, 137, 3-round "technical draw".

Tarin was the victim of an accidental butt. Bill Bolin, 143, dec. Wren Saxton, 142½ and Cliff Hawkins, 175, dec. Leroy Smith, 176½.

▶When Al Weill's application for a promotor's license was turned down by the State Athletic Commission of California, 38-year old New Yorker Bill Rosensohn, former executive of the Teleprompter Corporation, stepped into the picture. His application was approved. Rosensohn, readily admitting his lack of experience in boxing, promptly hired Jack Hurley, the Old Pro from Seattle, as his technical adviser. Publicity chores were turned over to Messrs. Bill Miller and Don Fraser. Don is publicity man at Hollywood Legion Stadium, and this is the first job we'll work as a team.

▶That grand Old Observer, Jerry Mullany, who covers the Northern beat for me, sends in this report:

Joey Giardella was a big winner on the financial score sheet ($10,000) against Joey Giambra's modest $3,710 stipend. But Giambra won the fight at San Francisco's Cow Palace, showing that he was back in active middleweight contention by taking a split decision in ten rounds. Weights: Giambra, 156½; Giardello, 160.

The $10,000 to Giardello was a flat guarantee. Giambra's purse was figured on a percentage of the net gate of $22,850. Giambra, dropped from the first ten after a period of inactivity, gambled to get the bout, hoping to restore some needed prestige by winning.

Most fans figured Giambra would be rusty after a long layoff. This proved true in the early rounds, but Giambra got going midway in the bout, after being banged around considerably by Giardello in the first four sessions.

Giambra scored often with left hooks and rights to the head in the closing rounds. Most spectators had it scored so even that they were glad the referee and judges had the responsibility of the decision.

The score sheet: Referee Jack Downey, 96-94, and Judge Jack Silver, 97-95, both for Giambra; Judge Eddie James: 99-94 for Giardello.

The net of $22,850 resulted from a gross of $26,517, paid by 4,631 spectators. The program was put on by the San Francisco Boxing Club (Jim Pusateri and Abe Acquistapace, promoters; Benny Ford, matchmaker).

Steve Mendoza, 150, kayoed Jerry Hunnicutt in 2; Norm Smith, 165, kayoed Herschel Bailey, 164, in 3; Nopo Junior, 180, dec. Curley Lee, 180, in 4; Willie Woods, 127, stopped Joe Lopez, 126, in 3; Billy Thomas, 125, outpointed Billy Walker, 128, in 6.

▶Many of the readers hereof undoubtedly saw the Don Jordan-Isaac Logart nationally televised fight at Hollywood Legion Stadium, in which Logart, No. 1 contender for the welterweight title, was the victim of a split decision loss.

Jordan, 141, got the votes of Referee Mushy Callahan, 95-94, and Judge John Thomas, 97-95, whereas Judge George Latka voted for Logart, 146½.

Six of the eight boxing writers at the ringside agreed that Logart was entitled to the verdict; one voted for a draw, the other gave it to Jordan by the tepid margin of 96-95.

It was a bitter blow to Logart, and his manager, Eddie Mafuz, points out, justifiably, that it may well cost Logart a crack at Virgil Akins' title—give Akins & Co. an excuse to duck him.

Other bouts, all four-rounders: Larry Tovar, 131, dec. Baby Marron, 132½; Ward Lee, 125, technical draw with Charlie Marshall, 122½; Noel Brown, 112½, dec. Calvin Leigh, 119½; Artie McCann, 139, drew with Aaron Junior, 136½.

"ACTION AT ALBUQUERQUE"
By "Johnny" Seubert

GLOBE-TROTTING JIMMY MARTINEZ, GLENDALE, ARIZONA, stopped here long enough to cop a unanimous decision over Jim Hegerle, St. Paul, in a ten round main event at the Civic Auditorium. Both contestants weighed 158.

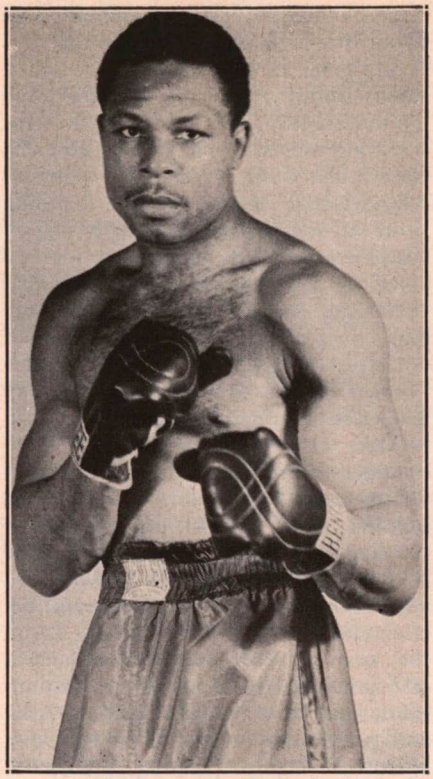
Joe Louis Murphy, 146, Reno, and Ray Terrazas, 147, El Paso, went to a draw in the 6 round semi-wind-up.

Joe Dominquez, 147, El Paso, decisioned Leo Howard, 146, Stockton, Calif., in a special 6-rounder.

Joey Limas, 133, Albuquerque, was awarded a TKO in 0:54 of the second round over Davey Lee, 129, Reno, in a scheduled 4-rounder.

Eddie Saints, 118, Deming, decisioned local Johnny Valdez, 118, in the opening 4-rounder.

▶Joe Louis Murphy won by majority decision in ten rounds over Henry Gutierrez. Murphy, 142, out of Reno; Gutierrez, 138, from Deming. This was the main go at the Civic Auditorium.



Archie Moore, world light heavyweight champion, failed in bid for record-breaking 127th knockout against Howard King at Sacramento, though he had floored his opponent three times. Moore has been campaigning as a professional since 1936.

Florencio Olguin decisioned Bobby Harrington in four. Both Albuquerque lightweights.

Joey Garcia, Deming, TKO'd Jose Valdez, Albuquerque, 1:28 of round four.

Bobby Cardenas, El Paso, awarded KO over Bobby Garcia, Juarez, when Garcia was unable to answer bell for round two.

Jimmy Ortiz, Deming, TKO'd Phil Vargas, Albuquerque.

Freddy Costella won by TKO over Frank Romero, Albuquerque, 1:08 of round three.

IN ANACONDA, MONTANA
By Harold Manning

INTEREST IS PICKING UP IN MONTANA IN BOXING due to the advent of Roger Rouse as a pro. The former Olympic boxer is popular. He is under the management of Sid Flaherty. Rouse engaged in his fifth pro battle, and his first in his native city, when he defeated Joe Louis III in the Anaconda Memorial Stadium. He scaled 164 to 176 for his rival. It was his first ten rounder.

Keith Eoff, Salt Lake City, 142, won from Mickey Gilmer, 140, Seattle, in 4. Jose Pompey, 160, Seattle, stopped Ronnie Earl, Salt Lake, 162, in the first. Jimmy Morley, 164, Salt Lake, knocked out Kirk Barrow, 160, Spokane, in the first and Johnny Marabilla, 148, Boise, stopped Jackie Frost, 146, Spokane, in three. The program was sponsored by the Anaconda Elks' Lodge Drum and Fife Corps.

FISTIC NEWS FROM SUNNY ARIZONA
By Al FENN

TUCSON FANS SAW ACTION WHEN ALFREDO ZUANY WON a ninth round TKO over Davey Walker, 185, Pittsburgh. Zuany, up and coming Chihuahua belter, weighed 192. Zuany opened a deep cut under his opponent's right eye in the fourth. By the end of the eighth, the swelling forced Dr. T. E. A. von Dedenroth, the ring physician, to stop the fight.

In a terrific semi-windup, Richard Lee, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., 168, came roaring back from two knockdowns by wicked punching Bobby Sand, 173, Los Angeles, in the first round, to win a 6-rounder. Lee, former Olympic alternate in 1956 and All Army and Interservice middleweight champion, was making his pro debut.

In four rounders, Luis Gorduno, 147, Mesa, kayoed Richard Elam, 142, Phoenix, in 1:05 of the first round; Johnny Carroll, 194, Phoenix, won by TKO over George Johnson, 192, Los Angeles, in 2:50 of the second round. Johnny Hunter, 151, Tucson, showed promise in winning a unanimous decision over Richard Carrizoza, 149, Los Angeles.

BOXING IN OKLAHOMA CITY
By Robert Johnson

JACKIE BLAIR, 141, VETERAN DALLAS, TEXAS CUTIE OUTCLASSED game Noble Banks, 146, Oklahoma City, to win an easy ten round decision. In the semi-final Red Holt, 126, Tulsa, copped a split nod over Rudy Gonzales, 124, Dallas, 6.

Don Nutter, 145, Wynoka, Okla., stopped Charley Robinson, 152, Dallas, in the third; Henry Watson, 142, Dallas, stopped Rudell Scott, 142, Oklahoma City in the second; Wayne Whitner, 186, Chickasha, Okla., kayoed Connie London, 204, Dallas, in the third and Thurman Jefferson, 135, Oklahoma City, whipped John Flint, 135, Oklahoma City, 4.

▶Cecil Courtney, 144, Oklahoma City fought to a tough six round draw with Chuck Midget, 144, of Tulsa in the co-feature of an all action show. Promoter Dick Freeman has been so pleased by the fine turnouts that from now on he will stage the shows in the ten million dollar Auditorium. In the other sixer, Henry Brown, 144, Wichita, kayoed Oscar Holman, 147, Oklahoma City, in the third. Joe Adair, 160, Wichita, a real comer, stopped Johnny Boy Wilson, 160, Tulsa, in the second round; Wayne Whitner, 190, Chickasha, edged out Charley Brown, 196, Oklahoma City, 4; Thurman Jefferson, 135, Oklahoma City, bested Alfred Franklin, 134, Oklahoma City, 4, and Jimmy Sehon, 196, Oklahoma City, stopped Johnny Sherrer, 193, Betheny, Okla., in the third.

▶Alvin Green, 183, Tyler, Texas, was too experienced for 6 ft. 8 in. Ben Marshall, 215, Oklahoma City, and gained the verdict after eight rounds. Ben made a good showing in losing. Roy Sparks, 147, Dallas, and Henry Brown, 145, Wichita, fought to a six round draw in the semi-final; Joe Adair, 157, Wichita, defeated Al McCoy, 163 Longview, Texas in a real brawl. In fours, Willie Morris, 178, Dallas, stopped Wayne Whitner, 186, Chickasha, in 1.27 of the second; Joe Mitchell, 157, Eufaula, Okla., stopped Jimmy Lynch, 155, Oklahoma City, in 2.48 of the second and Arzel Higgs, 171, Oklahoma City, halted Garland Hatcher, 171, Tulsa, in 2.50 of the second.

▶The first pro card staged in Ardmore, Oklahoma in many a year, the veteran Jackie Blair, 140, Dallas, repeated his previous win over Cecil Courtney, 144, Oklahoma City in ten fast rounds. In the semi-final Elmer Fuller, 126, Oklahoma City, won from Teddy Jefferson, 126, Oklahoma City, in a fast sixer; Noble Banks, 147, Oklahoma City, whipped Chuck Haines, 145, Dallas, 4; Jimmy Sehon, 196, Oklahoma City, repeated in the third over Johnny Sherrer, 193, Betheny, in a good slugfest; Ben Woods, 126, Dallas, decisioned Bob Broks, 126, Atlanta, Ga., 4; and Thurman Jefferson, 135, Oklahoma, again edged out Alfred Franklin, 135, Oklahoma City, 4.

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NEBRASKA BOXING
By Floyd Hayes

OMAHA—PROMOTER LEE SLOAN OPENED THE OUTDOOR boxing season with a fistic attraction at Playland Park, just across the river from Omaha. In the main event Danny Davis, 139, Minneapolis, scored a TKO over Joe Parks, 136, Omaha, in 1:40 of the sixth round. The bout was called to a halt after Parks suffered a cut over his left eye. Parks put up a good fight although it was apparent from the start that Davis had a little too much polish for him.

In the semi-windup Wayne Womochil, 188, Omaha, decisioned Les Fitzgerald, 196, St. Louis, in 8 rounds. Fitzgerald is now making Omaha his home.

In the special event Jimmy Watson, 147, Omaha, in his first bout on the comeback trail after several years of absence from the ring, was awarded a TKO over Dick McNamara, 142, St. Paul, in the third round.

Billy Tyree, 174, Omaha, drew with Stewart Grimes, 179, Omaha, in 4 rounds. Martin Ware, 140, Omaha, won by TKO over Bob Anderson, 144, Minneapolis, at 1:40 of the 4th round. Anderson proved to be very popular with the fans.

Promoter Sloan announced that the splendid showing of Danny Davis has earned him a main event shot at Lou Capellano, popular Omaha Italian lightweight, on the next card.

THE MAT WORLD

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a hot pepper shaker into the ring and used the stuff on his foe's eyes. This same character had once been a boxer, using the name "Gypsy Daniels" and once fought Max Schmeling. Other things not soon forgotten—like the feuds between referee Marvin Hutchins and wrestler Johnny Long, Bibber McCoy's terrific forearm smashes that knocked his opponents clear across the ring, Don McIntyre who wrestled on the defensive side and was a very good wrestler, Jack O'Brien and Earl Wampler, a strong tag team together who were great drawing cards, Mildred Burke, the great lady wrestler who always packed the house with her many appearances, Ellis Bashara who fought Jack Dempsey here with gloves and took a terrific beating from the Manassa Mauler, Clever Abe Yourist, Cowboy Luttrall, Staney Pinto, Stan Mayslack, and many others too numerous to mention.

THE WRESTLING WORLD
By Ed Briggs

Pacific Coast Heavyweight champion Ramon (Ray) Torres of Sonora, Mexico, had a month of shaky crown wearing recently when the speedy Latin idol lost his coast belt on two different occasions in disputed fashion. Big Stan Kowalski, who is currently tearing the rafters down in Honolulu, won the belt in Fresno, Calif., via the disqualification route but lost it to the classy Torres in the same city one week later. Fresno seems to be an unlucky town of Torres, for three weeks later, German heavyweight threat Karl Von Schober took the belt in Fresno's Memorial Auditorium. Torres failed in his attempt one week later to wrest the belt from Von Schober but lost. Two weeks after the German's victory, young Torres employed his new famous high flying dropkicks to regain his title.

It's good news to learn that sensational Bobby Ford, the famed "Ohio Thunderbolt" has returned to the wrestling wars after such a long absence. Spectacular Ford, a classy 215 pounder whose aerial manuevers are nothing short of sensational, has been out of active competition for several months since having his neck broken several years ago. A great favorite in Hawaii, San Francisco, Texas, Chicago, or wherever he goes, the highly likeable Ohioan will be welcomed back to San Francisco anytime he wants to return.

Mike Valentine, the giant 245 pounder from Malta whose west coast debut won him many fans a few months ago, has turned villian in northern California rings. Valentine is a capable star whose turning to rough-housing is very disappointing. . . . Country Boy Calhoun has taken the west coast by storm. Calhoun, a 602 pounder from the Ozark Mountains, hails from Morgans Corner, Ark., and is definitely a boy to be reckoned with. A highly pleasing performer, Country Boy is looking forward to his future stints in radio and TV in Hollywood. Reports have it that many top rated shows in the movie city are clamoring for the services of Country Boy Calhoun. Be sure and see him in action the next time you're in a city where he's booked to wrestle. His flying body press, which he has dubbed "The Big Splash" is something to see. So is Country Boy. Watch for him.

Back in the San Francisco bay area after a long absence is wrestling's dreaded "hatchet man," Judo Jack Terry. One of professional wrestling's most feared members, Terry is known for his merciless attacks. Since we last saw Judo Jack, he has campaigned in Tennessee, Arkansas, the Carolinas, Texas and New Mexico. A veteran of over 20 years of ring action, Terry knows all of the tricks of the trade and is something to see in action. Feared by many, Terry says he's going to be on the wrestling circuit for many more years and his opponents had better tend to their knitting. He's after victories. . . . the more the better.

Art Michalik, the fast heavyweight star from Sunnyvale, Calif., has started playing football for the Calgary Stampeders of the Canadian Football League. A very good wrestler, young Michalik hasn't received the breaks that make a headliner. This is the fault of the men who have been handling his ring activities.

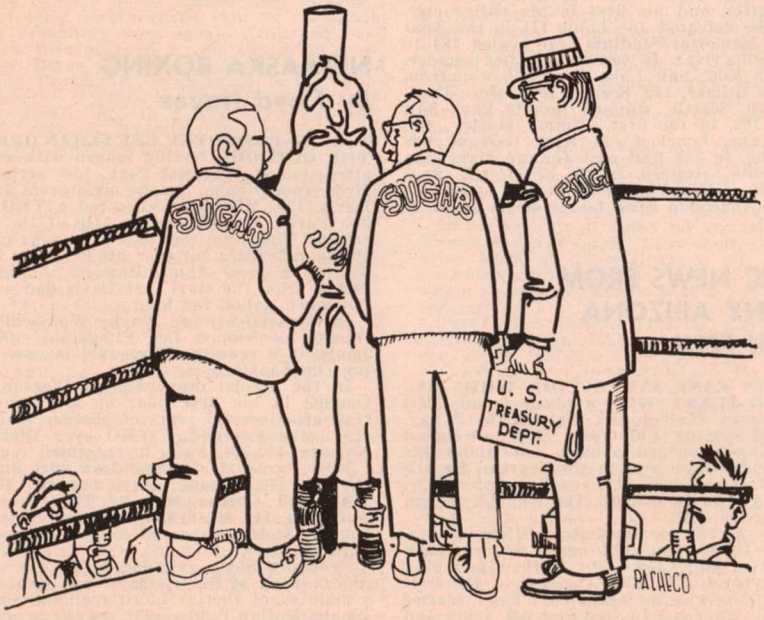
Ronnie Etchison, the classy former Pacific Coast heavyweight kingpin, is readying his bags for his triumphant return to California mat battles. Ronnie, certainly one of the best showmen and wrestlers to ever tread the northern California mats, succeeds in drawing a good house wherever he wrestles. Ron has no intentions of keeping secret the fact that he is after the coast belt again.

Tiny Mills and El Hombre Montana are the new NWA World Heavyweight Tag Team Champions by virtue of the recent win over Nickie Beckwinkle and Ray Torres in San Jose, Calif. Mills and Montana have solved their differences after a standing feud. Seems that Tiny whipped Montana in Canada a few years ago and the two slugged it out in numerous grudge bouts. Mills and Montana, nevertheless, make a great tag team and it looks as though they intend to keep it that way. . . . Word has it that NWA World Heavyweight Champion Dick Hutton may make a tour of Hawaii, Australia and New Zealand.

SOME CALIFORNIA RESULTS
By Frank S. Mott

With an assist from Fritz Von Goering, at San Bernardino, Cal., young German villain. Nature Boy Rogers earned a win over the 601 lb. Country Boy Calhoun via the DQ route before a large crowd at the local arena. With Rogers taking the first fall, and Country Boy the second, the third fall was going Country Boy's way as both wrestlers fell into the ropes. At this point, Von Goering leaped up from ringside and attacked Calhoun. Calhoun, angered went out after Von Goering and was counted out and the match given to Nature Boy.

In a match billed for the American Title Belt of Billy Varga, chicken wire was used to fence Billy and his opponent, Country Boy Calhoun in the ring. The match, a 2 for 3 fall, no time limit affair, saw Varga take both the first and third falls. Semi went to Bill Darnell, a win over pouting Ted Christy in 2 straight.



NAT FLEISCHER SAYS:

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Pelkey in Calgary, Canada, a "White Hope" battle promoted by Tommy Burns.

The fight with Patterson will tell the tale. Let's await the outcome.

KID GAVILAN CLOSE TO FINISH OF COLORFUL CAREER

Kid Gavilan, colorful Cuban welterweight, has reached the journey's end or is close to it. His latest defeat at the hands of Yama Bahama, showed that the Keed has lost his stamina, finds it difficult to go the route of ten rounds, and has become an easy target. Gavilan was a willing battler, but his reflexes no longer obeyed his command as in most of his contests during the years in which he thrilled his spectators.

Gavilan discussing his loss, declared that he is ready to quit. *"Since I cannot any longer please my many friends by winning, I think it is time for me to hang up my gloves."*

Perhaps it would be best for him to do so at this stage rather than take chances against up-and-coming youngsters whom he easily could have whipped when in his prime.

BIG BROTHERHOOD MOVEMENT

Boxing won countless friends as a consequence of the gala fistic event staged for the Big Brotherhood Movement in Washington, D.C., in mid-June. Under the chairmanship of Drew Pearson, noted columnist, a huge dinner had been arranged for the outdoor terrace of the Shoreham Hotel. Highlight of the evening's festivities was a ten-round boxing match between Joey Giardello and Franz Szuzina which Joey won.

Here was a setting unprecedented in boxing history. The ring was set up in the center of the terrace and was surrounded by tables at which 1,000 (capacity) of Washington's foremost dignitaries dined—up to 10 o'clock, when the Giardello-Szuzina bout got underway.

This was really a charity event and won high praise from all those associated with the Big Brother Movement and from those who attended. Perhaps Gene Tunney, a guest, summed it up best when he said, at the close of the evening: *"This has been a wonderful affair and a glorious night for boxing."*

SUMMERLIN'S CASE AROUSES IRE OF EXAMINING PHYSICIAN

When Dr. Jozeph Cahalan, long time member of the medical board of the Michigan State Athletic Commission called upon his state to abolish boxing, he started a discussion that has not yet ended. If he had his way, he declared he would abolish boxing despite his deep appreciation for the appeal of the sport.

Why this statement from a man who has examined hundreds of boxers while officially associated with boxing in Michigan? It all came about because of an interview which Johnny Summerlin gave following his knockout at the hands of Nino Valdes, in which Johnny declared that he had entered the ring with one side of his body numb.

Dr. Cahalan, angered, properly blamed the fighter, not the commission nor those who had examined Summerlin before the fight, since there are certain ailments that cannot be detected even with the use of the encephalograph. When Summerlin failed to inform the examining physician that he was suffering from a head injury or numbness, he hid a condition from the physician that could have brought about a fatality.

I disagree with Dr. Cahalan that boxing should be abolished. As Chairman Floyd Stevens of the Commission said after Dr. Cahalan's blast:

"Boxing doesn't have to be abolished. All we need is continued efforts on the part of our medical advisors throughout the country to do their utmost through examinations to avoid injuries in the ring and the whole-hearted cooperation of both boxers and managers in informing the Commissions of any illness suffered prior to a fight to aid the doctors in their decisions relative to physical fitness.

"Honesty by boxers and managers is essential. We cannot always determine physical fitness without knowing the background and when essential information is withheld from us, the boxer is doing an injustice to himself and to the sport.

RUBY GOLDSTEIN

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McLarnin, James has never agreed. "The Goldstein bout didn't last long, but don't let anybody tell you it was soft," reminisced Jimmy during a New York visit last winter.

"In the first round, I was hit right in the center of the forehead with two punches and I thought I had been slugged with an iron pipe. For a few seconds everything went black, and I couldn't see a thing. But it cleared up, and I made up my mind then and there, that I would have to go right after this fellow and get him out of there in a hurry if I could".

RETIRED IN 1932, THEN MADE SILLY COMEBACK

This bout signalled the end of the Goldstein glamour. He fought a few times in 1931 and 1932, but ran into a knockout at the hands of second rate Jay Macedon in Newark on Nov. 2, 1932. He then retired. In 1937 Ruby made a silly comeback. The less said about that the better.

Between jobs as liquor company representative and referee, Goldstein now gets laughs as an after dinner speaker with such sallies and sidelights on his career as, "The record book shows I had fifty fights, but the only ones anybody ever asks me about are the ones with Hudkins, McLarnin, and Terris.

"I thought I was in Coney Island the night I fought Hudkins, but it must have been the Yankee Stadium, because that's the only place big enough to hold all the people who claim they were there.

"I've been in boxing just about my whole life but I still get letters at the company addressed to "Miss" Ruby Goldstein. The slaps on the back hurt me more than the punches in the ring in the long run. I was a real spoiled kid, but I had a lot of fun and I feel I owe boxing a lot."

A thirty-five year old draftee, Ruby put in four years of service in World War II and is proud of that. Married to an Irish girl, and father of two, he keeps busy and has no time for regrets that things didn't turn out as well as they might have for "the greatest prospect of all time".

TV CONTROL OF BOXING WELCOMED BY DEMPSEY

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"Another think we have got to have. Uniform rules. Of course, everybody knows that we need agreement among the commissions, agreement among the members of the NBA.

"But we should at least have agreement in the matter of rules governing competition.

"We have got to have a standard scoring system. One state has one idea, another state has another, and if the judges and referees lose sight of the proper way to decide a fight, we can't fault them too much.

"It is not to the credit of NBA that it has not been able to put over a standard point system.

"What's wrong with boxing? We have allowed intruders to ruin it."

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ARE CHAMPS JINXED AS TRAINERS?

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lonely Adirondacks. And, as Jack recalled the other day, "when I'd wake him up to go on the road, he'd say, 'I didn't sleep too good last night.' I'd say, 'why, this is the healthiest place in the world, all you have to do is look out the window at the trees and you'll drop right off to sleep.' He'd say, 'that's the trouble, every time I look at the trees, I see Louis' face out there.' "

When they were in Yankee Stadium's dressing rooms waiting for the fight, Baer had the complexion and attitude of a condemned man, according to Dempsey. "I practically had to shove him out of the room to get him to go to the ring," he reported.

In the fight, Max was game enough in taking a beating en route to his fourth-round knockout but Jack had failed as a super-charger.

A few years later somebody interested Dempsey in a young heavyweight built like a beer keg. Yes, it was Tony Galento, then muscularly youthful and a pretty fair fighter potentially.

One afternoon at Stillman's, Jack was watching Galento spar. It was summer and the ex-champ was sartorial splendor itself, wearing a sports shirt, tan slacks and brown and white sport shoes. Tony's inability, or maybe it was unwillingness, to take orders infuriated Jack.

He stripped down to the waist and put on a pair of gloves. "C'mon, Tony, I'll show you," he said disarmingly as he climbed into the ring. This was a nearly 40-year old Dempsey but he slammed and smashed at Galento with a spot of his old tiger's fury. The round hadn't gone much more than two minutes when Tony could be heard shouting, 'let up, Jack, let up.'

Most of the fighters Dempsey lent his name to were managed by Max Waxman, his business manager. Waxman died last year.

Clarence (Red) Burman, a tough but ungraceful heavyweight, was a favorite of Dempsey's. In those years Dempsey operated a restaurant opposite Madison Square Garden and on the roof he had an outdoor ring, in which he often sparred with Burman. Red plugged along trying to assimilate the master's touch but it was no cigar.

Jack also put a little time on Curtis Sheppard, another heavyweight, but he came into Sheppard's career too late to help him much.

Still another of Dempsey's Waxman-fighters was Abel Cestac, an Argentine giant envisioned by Max as a second Luis Angel Firpo.

This connection is the cue for an amusing side-story.

One evening Cestac was in the Garden main bout with John Thomas. Thomas was a Negro and at least a head shorter than Abel. Yet, when the announced clarioned the votes, all for Thomas except that of Referee Lou Magnolia jr., the ref rushed to the announcer and said: "I'm sorry, I meant to vote for Thomas, I confused the two fighters."

Possibly the cleanest-styled protege Dempsey ever had was a rangy featherweight from Finland, Ellis Ask. When fans saw Ask, they didn't ask about him. He had talent plus. But he longed for home and returned to Finland before he could acquire the necessary American ring background.

Jack Sharkey, through his manager, Johnny Buckley, worked with Ernie Schaaf in the gym. Schaaf, of course, was a stickout boxer for a heavyweight and a very game fellow—too game, as most of us know. He might have become a champ-developed champ. His tragedy was his insistence on fighting the fatal Garden bout with Primo Carnera when he wasn't right.

CANZONERI AMONG THOSE WHO TRIED

In later years Tony Canzoneri, ex-featherweight and lightweight champion, a perfectionist's dream of a boxer-puncher, gave time and energy to Jimmy Cerello, an eye-catching novice from Providence.

Every trick, every move Tony knew was put at the disposal of Cerello, a light heavyweight. But, as Canzoneri eventually learned, the kid didn't have a basic understanding of the self-denial that goes into becoming a top notcher. He'd train only when driven, which was far from enough.

While Canzoneri was still fighting, he had dabbled a bit with Joey Fontana, a baby-faced little fellow. Fontana, being managed by Irving Cohen, piled up a winning streak. He knew his way around—but he had no dramatic appeal, no color. He finished his career as a work-a-day club fighter, not a knock, merely a statement of facts.

Infatuation with a youngster's possibilities trapped even crusty, suspicious Jake LaMotta, former middleweight champion. Jake fell for Jackie LaBua, also a middleweight. Within a year or so, with the lad winning consistently in sixes and eights, Jake was telling matchmakers: "You'd better start putting this fighter on top, he's another LaMotta, I'd even say he's better than I was."

LaBua was lively in action and rallied with LaMotta's fire but he got in a little too deep against Willie Pastrano and Gene Fullmer and soon the honeymoon was over. There were disputes with Jake over the contract. By a New York State Athletic Commission order, LaBua was 'freed' from LaMotta. Jake's reaction: "That kid is nothing but an ingrate."

Fritzie Zivic, the former welter champ, had come up the hard way and it was his conviction that even a modern fighter should be handled similarly for best results.

So, when Juste Fontaine, a saucy, scrappy lightweight, hooked up with Zivic, Fritzie cracked: "You've come to the right place, I'll keep you working and learning."

The former was certainly true. A cursory glance at Fontaine's record shows that, within seven weeks one summer, he fought six times. Two weeks was a long layoff for him.

By the finish, Fontaine had a Baedecker of boxing in his mind but he was too worn out to use it.

FROM CHAMP TO TRAINER MANAGER AND PREACHER

The average story on a prospect who flivvers is something like this: ". . . I'd have done better if I'd started earlier with him."

Well, Henry Armstrong, the old triple champion (featherweight, lightweight and welterweight), first saw Keith Nuthall when Nuthall was 12. His father, a boxing fanatic, had taught the boy since he was six; he had brought him to Henry.

Armstrong advised the father to take Keith home and keep him in the gym until he was more mature. It seemed the best possible counsel. Everybody who had seen Nuthall work out was convinced he had it—'a natural,' 'the way he moves now, how can he miss?' etc.

When Henry retired, they joined forces, the old champ acting as manager and trainer. Somehow his well-intentioned efforts misfired. The matches for Nuthall were invariably a little too tough. He was winning fights but losing ground. And finally, after about 30 fights, the testing trail began to take its toll. No more than 20 or so, Nuthall was boxing like an old fighter. He had nowhere to go and soon slipped out of the picture.

Armstrong also took some shots at managing fighters with ready-made pros. He had Cleo Shans, a solid lightweight, and Mike Delia, a welter of lesser skill. But merchandising his merchandise was his problem.

As Henry put it one day, "I don't know what to say. I walk into a matchmaker's office and I tell him that I've got two boys ready for action, just like I used to be. . . . he looks up and says, 'Henry, I'll keep you in mind'. . . . I say, 'you mean I shouldn't take anything 'til I hear from you?'. . . . he says, 'not 'zacly, but I'll be thinking of you'. . . . I say, 'but

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THE DEEP FREEZE

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SQUIRES AND MITCHELL

In the wake of sensational publicity out of Australia, Bill Squires invaded the United States in 1907, challenging world heavyweight champion Tommy Burns. He was accommodated in Colma, California.

Showing for the first time in an American ring, fighting for a world title, and with the great ex-champion Jim Jeffries refereeing, Squires seemed bewildered. The combination apparently represented too much of a psychological load for the Australian to tote. He "froze up" and Burns polished him off in a hurry. The official time was 2:09 of one round.

There never has been a more courageous lightweight than Richie Mitchell, but the Milwaukeean was a highstrung, nervous sort and usually unsteady in the first round of an important bout. Once he got by that opening stanza, Richie was as fine a bundle of 135-pound fighting machinery as the ring has yet produced.

It was Mitchell's first-round "jitters" that led to sensational developments in the opening three minutes of his historic title meeting with Benny Leonard in Madison Square Garden in 1921.

Leonard, a keen student of psychology as well as fistic form, had mapped his strategy in advance. He was going after a quick victory and rumor had it that both he and his manager, Billy Gibson, had wagered heavily on his flattening Mitchell in the first round.

"Richie will be more nervous than usual," Benny reasoned. "He'll not only be fighting for a world title but he'll be remembering the knockout I handed him in Milwaukee a few years ago—the only knockout ever scored against him. If I go after him right from the start, I ought to finish him in a hurry."

It looked as though Leonard had calculated well when he dropped Mitchell three times and had Richie reeling groggily in a neutral corner. But Benny, determined on a first-round victory, became careless for one of the few times in his brilliant career. As Leonard set himself for the final punch and edged toward the apparently helpless Mitchell, the latter instinctively fired his own fists. A left and a right crashed into Benny's face, and a startled champion found himself sitting on the canvas.

Surviving that sensational first round, Mitchell went on to give Leonard some rugged opposition until Benny eventually stopped him in the sixth.

BILLY FOX A VICTIM.

Of more recent vintage, a noted "freeze-up" was the one affecting Billy Fox in his second light-heavyweight title meeting with Gus Lesnevich in Madison Square Garden.

Whatever Fox may have lacked in topline fistic equipment, punching power was not included. That was one thing with which Blackjack Billy was loaded. He may not have been the fanciest boxer extant, and his own chin not too rugged, but anybody Fox hit he hurt.

With clever managing, Billy had become a tremendous attraction with a sensational string of forty-three consecutive knockout victories!

In his first match with Lesnevich in 1947, Billy gave Gus some rough moments in the early rounds and a couple of times it looked as though the veteran would go the way of all previous Fox victims. But Gus was made of sterner stuff. Weathering the violent storms, Lesnevich went on to outlast his opponent, finally knocking him out in the tenth round.

Undiscouraged by the first setback of his professional career, Fox proceeded to resume his winning habits. In the next year he polished off seven more opponents, including durable Jake LaMotta, and was rematched with Lesnevich.

This time Billy was an easy victim. Recollections of what had happened to him in the previous bout must have rushed at Fox as he waited in his corner for the bout to start. He became a victim of the "Deep Freeze." Lesnevich lost no time taking advantage of Billy's condition. The Philadelphian was down twice and out in 1 minute, 58 seconds.

LAST OF THE BIG FOUR

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rematch was in order, and both fighters were willing. This time, so there'd be no arguments over the decision, it was decided to have the rivals fight it out to a finish.

"I worked behind Joe that night and it was the most gruelling fight I've ever seen. It lasted forty-nine rounds, and what a brawl! There were so many knockdowns, I lost count. I think the official score was thirty-nine. Both fighters were badly battered but Jeannette's superb physical condition won for him. He outlasted Sam, who finally had to quit.

"The scrap lasted about three and a half hours, and it was 4 a.m. when our happy but weary gang landed back in camp. I had a fight set the next week with Honey Mellody, but this was one morning I wasn't getting up for roadwork. I'd done enough with all that running up and down steps for forty-nine rounds. All I wanted was to hit the sack and stay there. And you'd imagine that Jeannette, after that brawl, would have felt like sleeping for a week!

"Well, it was about 6 o'clock when a banging on the door woke me up. Bleary-eyed, I looked up. In walked Jeannette, all togged out for the road.

"Can you imagine the guy! He'd just finished forty-nine of the toughest rounds any fighter ever fought, and he should have been snoring his head off in bed. But here he was, looking bright and chipper and ready for a day's work.

"What's the idea?" I asked.

"I'm a little stiff and sore from the fight," he said, "and thought I'd work some of it out by going on the road with you."

Jeannette considered Langford the greatest fighter he ever met. *"Sam had everything,"* Joe would say. *"He was tough, strong, a fine boxer and a dangerous puncher. He could take you out with one punch. You couldn't get careless with him at any time. In all our fights, I got careless only once, and I learned my lesson."*

What did Jeannette think of Johnson?

"Jack was powerful and a wonderful defensive boxer, but he didn't believe in overworking or taking chances. If you didn't hurt him, he didn't hurt you. I boxed him nine times and we could have made it nine times more with nobody getting hurt. Jack was afraid of Langford, though. He beat Sam once, when Sam was only a middleweight, but he wouldn't have anything to do with him when Sam got bigger and better."

Joe ended his own ring career in 1919 when he won from Bartley Madden in Bayonne. He opened a gymnasium in West Hoboken (now a part of Union City) and for several years did well as instructor and trainer of fighters. For a while he also did some refereeing in New Jersey but gave it up when he felt he was getting "too old" for such strenuous toil.

During World War II, when too many local boxers were going into the armed services, Jeannette converted his gymnasium into a garage, got himself a fleet of limousines and built up a successful business renting them for weddings and funerals. Joe usually drove one of the cars himself.

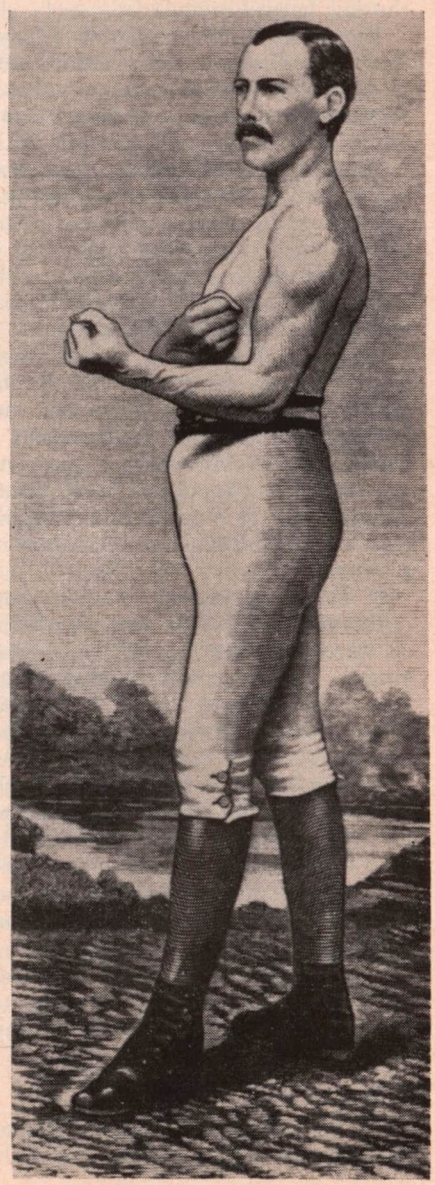
Jeannette, still active in his 70's, suffered a stroke a few years ago and his health declined steadily after that. Early this year Joe was invited to be guest of honor at the annual dinner of Hudson County Ring 14 of the Veteran Boxers Association of America, but he was too ill to attend and his son, Joe, Jr., filled in for him.

A grand guy, Joe Jeannette; quiet modest, always the gentleman, a fine husband and father, and a credit to boxing and to the community in which he lived most of his long, active life.

Fireman Jim Flynn, rugged Colorado heavyweight, holds open house at camp where he trained for match with heavyweight champion Jack Johnson in Las Vegas, Nev., on July 4, 1912. Flynn (third from right) talks things over with Promoter Jack Curley (fourth from right). Group is composed of newspaperman and camp attaches.

Luis Angel Firpo, the Wild Bull of the Pampas, discovered that pedaling on a stationary bicycle was good exercise for his legs in training for battle with Jack Dempsey in New York in 1923.

THE GOOD OLD DAYS



A pioneer American champion in boxing was Dick Hollywood, who claimed bare-knuckles featherweight title in 1867 and the bantamweight laurels four years later.

RATINGS

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Gunboat Steeves, 6. Yucatan Rivera defeated Yvon Cote, 6.

Tony Williams kayoed Willie Moore, 2. Arthur Cunningham won over Nick Procak, 6. James Easley beat Sammy Williams, 6.

Robert Scott defeated King Farouk, 5. Al Malone halted Will Estes, 6.

Kid Rayo won from Anaceito Battad, 10.

Buddy McDonald kayoed Doug Garrett, 3. Julio Romero beat Mike Colucci, 6. Glen Burgess kayoed Chuck Booker, 1. John Maravilla stopped Jackie Frost, 5.

Gasper Ortega outfought Mickey Crawford, 10. Rudy Sawyer outfought Cecil Shorts, 10. Ted Wright stopped Paddy Graham, 3.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

European champion Duilio Loi outscored Charley Douglas, 10. Douglas beat Rene Barrere, 10.

Johnny Busso handed Carlos Ortiz his first loss, 10.

Fred Galiana kayoed Vicente Panzani, 3, and drew with Jamie Gine, 10. Miguel Angel Pendola beat Carlos Rivera, 10, and kayoed Elio Ropoli, 2. Joe Cantu won on a disqualification over Apolinar Huerta, 6.

Russell Sands defeated Tommy Romulo, 12. Antonio Ramirez kayoed Felipe Sosa, 6, but lost to Julio Escobedo, 10. Walter Brown kayoed Ike Lofton, 2.

Chivo Orta defeated Gumersindo Rasjoy, 10. Memo Baltazares defeated Indio Conde, 10. Richie Howard drew with Vernon Lynch, 10.

Davey Dupas upset Arthur Persely, 10. Jimmy Kelly stopped Jimmy Connors, 5. Connors kayoed Gene Pless, 1.

Jackie Blair won from Cecil Courtney, 10, Noble Banks, 10, and Ruben Munoz, 8. Sergio Gomez bested Beto Carbajal, 10.

Eddie Perkins whipped Candy McFarland, 8. Ike Vaughn halted Julius Washington, 4, but lost to Kid Banga, 10. Eduardo Almazan defeated Carlos Loyola, 10, but was stopped by Benny Rodriguez, 4. Jose Paredes stopped Enrique Castillo, 7.

Ray Estepa stopped Vernon Parker, 4. Aldo Mente whipped Charlie Patterson, 10. Rafael Camacho beat Ruben Cardena, 8.

Gordon Parker stopped Richie Graham, 2. Henry Luera halted Frankie Speed, 9. Charlie Smith bested Billy Williams, 8.

Joey Padilla whipped Speedy Henderson, 8. Al King and Corrado Mancarella drew, 8. Gene Gresham defeated Vern Lee, 6, and stopped Sammy Allen, 4.

Tommy Garrow won from Lou Carmonia, 8, and stopped Merrill Olmstead, 4. Cosme Maldonado stopped Luis Espinoza, 3. Chico Argaez beat Carlos Lara, 10.

Raul Fuentes stopped Yuyin Trejo, 7. Trejo also was stopped by Frankie Salas, 6. Henry Salcido kayoed Paul Estrada, 3. Joe Chavez and Enrique Arrelo drew, 6.

Manuel Alcala stopped Bombero Aguilar, 7. Johnny Linda halted Elijah Mokone, 9. Kid Terranova halted Fernando Apodaca, 8. Oscar Ortegon won from Joe Narcenas, 6. Basil Campbell whipped Lester Ennis, 8.

Henry Watson decisioned Garland Randall, 6, but lost to Kenny Shields, 6. Pedro Rodriguez halted Pedro Perez, 6.

Larry Molina and Tony Luna drew, 6. Tony then lost to Gus O'Horan, 6, while Molina kayoed Jesus DeLeon, 4, then lost to Jose Soria, 6. Ted Mosley stopped Pat Brown, 2.

Ludwig Lightburn kayoed Davey Dupas, 9. Bobby Scanlon outscored Gale Kerwin, 10. Len Matthews halted Bobby Rogers, 3.

Arthur Persley outscored Ike Vaughn, 10. Al Duarte stopped Gordon Parker, 2. L. C. Morgan stopped David Cervantes, 4. Roy Jacobs decisioned Brian Jones, 8.

Rocky Randell decisioned Ray Estepa, 10.

Billy Braggs kayoed Charles Spruel, 4. Gene Gresham whipped Virgil Sled, 6.

Bobby Hicks stopped Enrique Arreola, 5, and Kildo Nunez, 5.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

World Champion Hogan (Kid) Bassey stopped Jules Touan, 7 (non-title).

Davey Moore outscored Lauro Salas, 10.

Paul Jorgensen decisioned Rocky Randell, 10.

Manolo Garcia was held to a draw by Pedro Miranda, 10.

Raul Vargas kayoed Jose Domingo Luna, 1. Battling Torres kayoed Hector Garcia, 9, and Oscar Ivonne, 3.

Willie Pep won from Pat McCoy, 10, and Bobby Soares, 10. Hank Aceves outpointed Ernesto Figueroa, 10.

Kid Anahuac defeated Herman Duncan, 10. Angel Guerrero defeated Fidel Lucero, 10.

George Fleming stopped Bonnie Espinosa, 9. Shigeji Kaneko decisioned Lionel Rivera, 10.

Larry Bataan outscored Max Murphy, 12. Flash Menny kayoed Al Flores, 1. Collier Cox upset Rufino Ridella, 10.

Manuel Alvarez won from Aldo Gamboa, 10. Emilio Olivares stopped Tony Alamillo, 4.

Ricardo Manzanillo stopped Jorge Ortiz, 9, but was kayoed by Ramon Cervantes, 3. Tony Sanchez bested Victor Adame, 10.

Rudolfo Francis defeated Prince Johnson, 10. Luis Trejo decisioned Cachorro Meza, 10. Meza also lost to Gilberto Nolasco, 10. Hilario Morales kayoed Tony Lopez Smith, 10. Smith also lost to Manuel Jimenez, 10.

Arulfor Palomares stopped Raton Vargas, 5, and Aurelio Mora, 4. Juan Ramirez defeated Jorge Ortiz, 8.

George Reiter beat Willie Nelson, 6. Roberto Uriarte kayoed Memo Gonzalez, 7.

Danny Valdez stopped Richie Robinson, 7. Kid Aztequita kayoed Panchito Villa, 6. Al Manalang kayoed Young Cezar, 6.

Chuy Waldo kayoed Victor Sosa, 2. Beto Rodriguez and Leo Hernandez drew, 8.

Jesus Rodriguez kayoed Pedro Rodriguez, 2. Billy Thomas whipped Billy Walker, 6. Marcelino Gomez kayoed Gustavo Ohm, 1. Terry Pancho kayoed Gay Lory, 3.

Elias Macias defeated Baby Garcia, 10. Rufi Pineda defeated Puyas Boy, 6, but lost to Terry Flores, 6.

Roberto Murillo whipped Rudolfo Ampudia, 6, and drew with Tito Marshall, 6. Jose Quintero defeated Roy Best, 6, and stopped Puntillito Smith, 6.

Carmelo Costa outscored Al Tisi, 10. Tommy Bain outscored Eddie Gaspora, 10. Ola Michael stopped John Smillie, 4. Willie Pep outboxed Bobby Bell, 10. Charley Hill retained British title by stopping Chic Brogan, 12.

Joe Hernandez upset Kenny Morris, 6. Luis Sanchez whipped Manny Coronado, 10.

Wally Livingston beat Pat McCoy, 6.

Billy Blanco stopped Ramon Rodriguez, 8.

Willie Nelson kayoed Ray Torynaz, 1. Buddy Daye kayoed Larry Spencer, 3.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Manuel Armenteros kayoed Japanese champ Koji Ishibashi, 6. Johnny Morrissey whipped Jimmy Carson, 8. Johnny Caldwell stopped Michel Lamora, 4.

Edwin Sykes won from Orlando Reyes, 10.

Freddie Gilroy outpointed George Bowes, 10. Floyd Gatiuan stopped Masayuki Hasegawa, 4.

Pat Supple stopped Cleo Ortiz, 4. Dick White decisioned Larry Bataan, 12.

Jose (Toluco) Lopez decisioned Willie Parker, 10, and kayoed Jose Beltram, 5.

British Empire Champion Peter Keenan defeated Billy Peacock, 10.

Joe Beccera kayoed Gaetano Annalora, 10.

Roberto Castro defeated Roberto Nunez, 10. Pedro Gonzalez kayoed Gustavo Carrera, 3, and Monico Garza, 3. Mel Bourne defeated Edwin Sykes, 10. Claudio Martinez defeated Byron Cumberbatch, 10.

Herman Marques stopped Ross Padilla, 5. Raul Leanos decisioned Ray Ruiz, 10. Chucho Hernandez kayoed Marcelo Gonzalez, 6.

James Hardman drew with Oscar Reyes, 10. Ernesto Miranda beat Antonio Kirso, 8. Javier Garfis whipped Alejo Mejia, 10.

Floyd Gatiuan defeated Nate Brooks, 10. Angel Boy whipped Cris Miranda, 10.

Ray Martinez kayoed Ruben Benavides, 2, and beat David Becerril, 10. Tibico Torres defeated Miguel Garcia, 10. Sexton Mabena stopped Leslie Tangee, 6. Negrito Medina stopped Rolando Fortiz, 9.

Toluco Estrada beat Chucho Medina, 10. Bert Gonzalez won from Narcing David, 8. Lalo Guerrero stopped Carlos Cardoss, 6.

Chucho Arriola won from Pablo Gonzalez, 10. Chiquis Rosales halted Chocolate Barrera, 2. Rudy Valdez and Oscar Torres drew, 10.

Baby Fuentes stopped Jimmy Alcantara, 7. Abe Villa whipped Mike Rios, 6. Gallito Segundo decisioned Gustavo Sosa, 8.

Chaparro DeLeon won from Ardillita Garcia, 10. Alex Jimenez decisioned Marcel Montoya, 8.

Dusty Brown kayoed Pedro Garcia, 2. Hector Hicks defeated Jose Rivas, 6. Philip Ortiz outpointed Francis Militante, 6.

Monico Garza and Jorge Gomez drew, 8. Jorge then beat Abel Pena, 8, and kayoed Alfonso Rangel, 3. Aurelio Reyna stopped Nicholas Reyes, 5, while Reyes bested Abel Pena, 8.

FLYWEIGHTS

Ramon Arias was held to a upset draw by Carlos Miranda, 10.

Pone Kingpetch stopped S. Somyos, 5.

Saul Becerril stopped Kildo Martinez, 5, and Reynaldo Tavio, 5. Joe Medel stopped Dwight Hawkins, 7. Vic Campos bested Shichiro Kimura, 10. Perla de San Francisco stopped Jorge Correa, 4.

Baby Quiroz outscored Victor Asprilla, 15. Baby Tolosa defeated Baby Villalobos, 6.

Luis Gonzalez bested Ruben Benavides, 10.

Spanish Champion Jose Ogazon won on disqualification from South African bantam title-holder, Graham van der Walt, 5. Tribilin Carmona won from Guillermo Balderas, 10.

Young Aquino and Angeles Alberto drew, 8. Alfonso Palma whipped Chocolate Rodriguez, 6.

Sardito Guerra won from Delfino Martinez, 8. Lourdinez Jr. won from Viva Zapata, 6. Cuervo Salinas stopped Angel Jimenez, 6.

Ramon Rodriguez defeated Gallito Vega, 6. Fidel Alfaro kayoed Fidel Valencia, 1, and Luis Rodriguez, 3. Fred N'gidi stopped Phil Lekwete (Kid Dynamite), 6.

British Empire Champion Dennis Adams stopped Silas Boko, 6 (non-title). Oscar Suarez outscored Ray Ruiz, 10. Len Reece outpointed Henri Schmid, 6.

Hilario Correa kayoed Mario Moreno, 2.

MOBILE BOXING NEWS

By Art Drago

MOBILE, ALA.—UNBEATEN WELTERWEIGHT GUY SUMLIN OF NEARBY Prichard ran his win streak to ten here with a unanimous decision over Ray Portilla in a fight witnessed by 1,312 paying customers.

The bout was the only show here during the month.

Sumlin was well ahead on the cards of both judges and referee Tommy Baker. Both judges scored the fight for Sumlin, 49-44 with Baker giving the Prichard fighter a 49-43 edge.

Teddy (Red Top) Mosley, popular Mobile lightweight, scored his third successive win when he stopped Pat Brown, Houston in 2:25 of the second of a scheduled six-rounder.

Mobile welter Al (Duke) Malone got a sixth-round TKO over Kid Estes of Beaumont when the latter failed to answer the bell for the sixth and final round. Rookie Mobile welter Calvin Chapman stopped Earl Leroy, Houston, in 1:20 of the second round for his third victory is as many pro efforts.

Promoter Tom Nelson has shows planned for July 21 and Aug. 4 at this writing.

NORTHWESTERN REPERCUSSIONS

By Hugh Sutton

BOISE: GLOBE-CIRCLING JIMMY MARTINEZ, 157½, FROM GLENDALE, ARIZONA, scored his 116th victory against popular Dale Manz, 157, of Boise.

Manz opened up in the first round and nearly had the veteran Martinez on the deck in the second round, but from here on to the final tenth, Martinez was careful of the bull-like rushes of Manz and handled him with a polished left hand and an occasional stiff right. Martinez opened up a cut in Manz' right eye and kept peppering it throughout the rest of the fight. It was a unanimous decision.

The stiff punching Glenn Burgess halted Chuck Booker, 142, Salt Lake City, in 2:26 of the first round of their intended 6-rounder.

Gene Turley of Twin Falls tried veteran Paul Perkins of Salt Lake and took the fight away from him by a split decision.

John Maravilla, 149, Nampa, cooled Charlie Morris, 137, Salt Lake, in :35 of the first.

Noel Morfin, Boise bantamweight had the curtains lowered on him by Jimmy O'Neil, of Salt Lake, in one minute of the first round. This was Morfin's second bout in the pro ranks.

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A HOT TIME IN PARIS

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"Well, alright, alright. You are my pal. Let us sign," agreed Harry.

The contracts were ready. I handed them to Jacobs to sign. But he probably still had a kind of feeling that it was too good to be true. He lifted his pen and said.

"By the way, put 15 rounds, but who is the opponent," he asked.

"I'll let you know later. I may change my mind yet. But of course for that money you are to accept any opponent that I chose," I answered.

"I can't do that. I've got to know who the opponent is."

"Can I tell you if I don't know? If you don't want to accept, I can get another man. There are hundreds in London who'll be glad to accept." And I got up.

"Well," said Harry, *"I didn't say I refused, but I'd like to know, that's all. I'll tell you what I'll do. I'll put down that I accept any Frenchman."*

Harry was very shrewd. He knew as well as I that there existed not a single French heavyweight.

"That's fair enough." I answered. *"We'll put down . . . against any French or French-Canadian opponent."*

So, we signed and I paid Harry, against receipt, the amount of the transportations and an advance of five pounds.

We were both very satisfied till the bills and the publicity in the papers came out.

The advance sale was amazing. A fight for the heavyweight championship of the world, between Tommy Burns, the French Canadian, successor to Jim Jeffries, and the famous puncher Jewey Smith of London created an unprecedented sensation in Paris.

I had a photo taken of Jewey, his left fist about ten inches from the camera and it looked big.

To give the championship fight surroundings worthy of its importance, I had hired a very large hall at Neuilly, and I ordered it neatly decorated with French, British and Canadian flags, and all round the gallery I had paper banderols and streamers gracefully hanging from pillar to pillar.

The night of the "greatest contest ever held in Paris," the place was packed. Ladies in wonderful gowns, gentlemen in evening dress, all the French aristocracy were filling the ringside seats.

Tommy Burns who had had all the time an eye on the booking office and the other looking very pleased, called me to his dressing-room while the preliminary bouts were being contested.

"Leon," he said, *"it's a great house. I think boxing will take wonderfully well in Paris."*

"I am of your opinion, Tommy," I replied, *"and by the way, don't you think you ought to give these people a show for their money? It would spoil everything if you knocked that fellow Smith flat in one or two punches."*

"Perfectly true, Leon, How many rounds would you like me to let him last?" he asked.

"Five or six would be perfect. He is not clever, but he is tough and I think he'll get up a couple of times if you don't hit him too hard."

. . *"Very good then,"* he replied. *"I'll let him go six rounds and you can trust me to make him look good."*

The great fight started. Tommy Burns who was not a man to take chances was in fine shape. He was dancing round his opponent with really wonderful grace and speed. Jewey Smith, with his big head, his curly red hair, his powerful shoulders, looked quite a dangerous customer to inexperienced eyes.

Newspapermen had come from all over the country. In the gallery, a dozen press photographers, cameras set, magnesium flashlights held high in readiness, were eagerly awaiting a sensational snap.

The first four rounds were splendid. Jewey Smith, who had gained confidence, was charging like a bull, and missing tremendous punches while Tommy was sidestepping, ducking, jabbing and occasionally landing a right when Harry Jacob's champion was getting a bit too sure of winning the title.

The fifth round commenced. "The last but one," I calculated. I was wrong.

Jewey Smith left his corner with red hair flaming and led with a right that started its journey from around his right ankle. Tommy could not help it. There are some openings that even a champion cannot let pass unheeded. The champ's right glove landed exactly on the square chin that was advancing entirely unprotected; not very hard if you like, but the force of the punch was increased by the speed of the oncoming jaw and down went the challenger on one knee.

I though he would have got up at about five or six but unforeseen things happened.

All the magnesium lamps flashed at the same time all round the first gallery. A knockdown was not a picture to be missed.

One of the cameramen had been holding his flashlighter above his head, a little too close to the center of the paper streamer which formed a graceful curve between two girders. The streamer caught fire in the middle; the string was cut and both halves fell vertically apart. The flames shut up. Somebody shouted *"fire!"*. A hundred voices answered *"fire!"*. All the ringside spectators looked up, got up and shouted *"fire!"*

The whole affair had not taken more than three seconds because I heard the referee count "four". Jewey Smith got up. Tommy Burns was not looking at him. He was looking up. He saw the flames. He saw people starting to rush towards the exits. He thought he'd do the same.

But the fight had to be won first. He saw Smith standing. He went to him, landed a terrific right to the chin and Jewey fell like a log, dead to the world. He would never have gotten up before the count of a hundred. Tommy knew it, so he considered he had done his part, even if it was one round before schedule. He jumped over the ropes, collected his gown and ran towards his dressing room.

The referee had never refereed a world championship before. In fact I think he had never refereed a fight at all. But he knew he had to count up to ten, so he did. And by that time, the fire was out. A fellow in the gallery had knocked it out by tapping the two bits of streamers with his umbrella.

Everybody was shouting: "Sit down, the fire is out."

Everybody was sitting down, except Jewey Smith who was still lying. The referee thought Smith was also out. He said so, and Tommy Burns, who was already in his dressing room, was declared the winner.

But supposing the referee had known whatsoever little about boxing. Supposing, just as a matter of record, that he had read the rules?

Well he would have declared Jewey Smith the heavyweight champion of the world, his opponent having "retired" from the ring before the end.

And nobody in the whole world could have raised an objection. And shrewd Harry Jacobs would have gone back to Whitechapel, the manager of a heavyweight champion, and the history of boxing would have probably been entirely changed.

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within the past year."

The conversation shifted, time and time again to Rademacher, whom Patterson called a tougher fighter than Moore and Hurricane Jackson. About the stilled Hurricane, the heavyweight champion said that it was a good thing he had been barred from fighting.

The Patterson camp at Oceanside was quite similar to the one in which he had trained for Rademacher. D'Amato said that he had had nothing to do with selection of the Oceanside site, so there had been no factors having to do with the seaside in the training picture.

Patterson did no swimming because neither he nor D'Amato considers that exercise good for a fighter. Swimmers are inclined to get muscle bound.

In conclusion, Patterson said that he was not greatly concerned as to whether Harris would charge right in after him and make it an aggressive fight from the opening gong.

CHAMPS JINXED AS TRAINERS

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while you're thinking, who's going to be feeding me and my fighters?' "

This routine brought discouragement and disillusionment. Fortunately for Armstrong, he found new hope and a new career studying for the evangelical ministry. Today he is a busily occupied evangelist. Ironically, arenas which wouldn't use his fighters now hungrily book him as a preaching attraction.

LOUGHRAN'S EXPERIENCE AN ODD ONE IN BOXING

One of the most bizarre adventures into fighter-backing by a former champion was that undergone by Tommy Loughran, the formful light heavyweight champion of 30 years ago.

The incident cited came in the early forties, when Tommy came up with a young Philadelphia fighter whom he told New Yorkers was a "light heavyweight."

The day his man was to box, Loughran appeared on time at the weigh-in room with the fighter. But, upon his boy's name being called, Tommy didn't tell him to strip, as is the custom. The fighter stood there wearing his shorts.

"You can't have him weighed with underpants on," Loughran was reminded.

"What's the difference?" he asked with an air of innocence.

In the meantime the opponent had been on the scales and hit somewhere around 175 pounds.

Only then did some of the handlers in the room sense what was cooking.

As confirmed later, Tommy's fighter really was a middleweight. He was carrying, beneath his trunks, weights which would bring him within the legal margin for light heavyweights (15 pounds).

Joe McOwen, the commission deputy in charge, was a tough nut when he didn't like something. The boy just didn't get to fight that night.

FATHER AND SON HOOK-UPS IN BOXING

Ring history contains many instances of fathers who had been champions seeking to set their sons onto the highway to titles.

Prof. Mike Donovan, a pioneering middleweight champion (when the limit was around 150 pounds), was certain that he could make a champion out of his boy, Arthur. The laddie liked boxing. Prof. Mike even took Arthur with him when he'd go to Washington to give boxing lessons to President Teddy Roosevelt.

Arthur did become a fighter, a middleweight, but he didn't click. That is, not until he had switched to refereeing. As a third man, he was a champ all right. He worked more championship fights than any individual, fourteen in the heavyweight class alone.

Bob Fitzsimmons didn't see much of Young Bob's struggling up the light heavyweight ladder, which is just as well. Young Bob lacked a lot of what his daddy had. Jack Britton, rapier-swift with his hands as a welter champ, was unable to make Bobby Britton more than a club fighter. Mike Gibbons, as clever as they come among the middleweights, was wasting time with his boy, Jack. And Billy Papke, a great middleweight in an older day, couldn't do it for Billy Jr.

An oddity in this category was supplied by the Johnsons, Phil, the father, and Harold, the son. Fourteen years apart, they fought Jersey Joe Walcott, 1936 and 1950, both bouts in Philadelphia, both were knocked out by Walcott in three rounds.

However, the theory on how much a champ can pass down to his son will go under the gun again in the not too distant future with Walcott. He now has a 16-year-old son fairly itching for his fighting spurs.

No survey of champions as boxing tutors would be complete without a reference to Freddie Welsh, the clever lightweight born Frederick Hall Thomas in Wales.

Which recollection brought to mind the time that Pete Latzo, who later held the welter title, was getting a spot on the Harrison, N. J., show topped by Benny Leonard and Rocky Kansas.

Dave Mackey, a current manager, had a fighter in town by the name of Bud Logan from Minneapolis. Mackey was told that he could have Pete Latzo for Logan. . . . he looked up Jersey Jones of the Ring staff, said, "Is this fellow all right for Logan?"

Jones said: "So far as I know, OK."

But, as he didn't know at the time, Latzo had been up at Welsh's farm near Summit, N.J., getting pointers.

Fight night Latzo was 50 per cent better than Jones had even seen him and he whipped Logan decisively in eight rounds.

"What happened to you?" he asked.

"I've just been up taking some lessons from Freddie Welsh," Pete said happily.

FROM OUR READERS

(*Continued from page 3*)

CUT AND SHOOT

My dear Nat.

I want to write you re the arrangements in the Patterson vs Harris promotion. Roy Harris comes from Cut and Shoot, small community of the beaten track located near Conroe, East Texas, in the thicket country. It's not on the map, so if you want a look at Harris, hit Conroe and follow a trail through the bush.

Harris is a nice guy but whether he can fight a real lick, remains to be seen. He has whipped Charlie Norkus, Willie Pastrano, Bob Baker and Willy Besmanoff. But who hasn't whipped Norkus, Pastrano, Baker and Besmanoff? What real qualification for a championship fight does this offer the fighting fans?

Does Cut and Shoot supply the colorful name to warrant Harris to challenge Floyd Patterson? When his tribe invaded Houston for the City's regional Golden Gloves tournament the boxers came wearing overalls and coonskin caps, and fought barefoot in the ring. Does such action warrant a championship fight when thousands of dollars are at stake and the fans urged to divy up?

What about Cus D'Amato, Patterson's manager? What is a No. 1 and No. 2 Challenger for the heavyweight championship worth? What definitely is "fair-play"? Does the location at Cut and Shoot mean the answer, or is this another cinch for Patterson and letting Gus D'Amato call the turn with suckers taken for a ride?

So far only Tommy Jackson, a clown, and Pete Rademacher who had never fought before professional have been allowed to challenger for Patterson's championship, and I submit that Harris is NOT stepping into high society when he gets himself classed with a pair of alleged fighters.

But—he does come from Cut and Shoot, and Gus O'Amato IS Patterson manager! So what, take it away!

Vince Woodbury, New Braunfels, Texas.

SOUTH OF THE BORDER

LA LAGUNA AND THE MEXICAN PROVINCES
By Miguel Raminez

ONLY TWO BOXING SHOWS WERE STAGED IN LA LAGUNA during the month, both under the promotion of Manuel Mateos and Mel Dipp at their Arena "Olimpica" in Gomez Palacio, State of Durango, a little town across the Nazas River.

▶Antonio "Zorrito" Ramirez, 134, with a right uppercut, sent his man to sleep in six rounds. Sosa, weighing 130, visited the canvas three times before the knockout.

Facundo Martinez, 119, iced little Ruben Benavides, 116, in two rounds. Jesus "Chuca" Rodriguez, 126, looking fine, halted Pedro Rodriguez, 128, also in two. Evelio Tinoco, 143, nailed Prisciliano "Chilano" Garcia, 141, in four. Humberto Santacruz, 119, bested Gilberto "Chato" Reyes, 119, in the 4-round preliminary.

▶Julio Escobedo, 132, got a 10-round triumph over Antonio "Zorrito" Ramirez, 133. Facundo Martinez, 118, beat David Becerril, 119, also in a ten rounder. Luis Gonzalez, 112, easily outpointed Ruben Benavides, 115, in eight. Evelio Tinoco, 145, iced Indio Gonzalez, 144, in the second round. Salvador Guerrero, 118, defeated Julian Saucedo, 117, in four.

▶CULIACAN:—Roberto "Culichi" Uriarte, 125, surprised the fans when he nailed hard favorite Guillermo "Memo" Gonzalez, 121, in seven rounds.

▶TIJUANA:—Kid Irapuato, 121, upset former National flyweight champ and highly ranked Memo Diez, 119, when he nailed his famous foe in only six rounds. That was a real surprise for everybody!

▶MONTERREY:—Battling Torres, 128, Reynosa hard hitter, demolished Hector Garcia, 132, in nine rounds.

▶CULIACAN:—Hilario Morales, 128, put the red light to "bad-boy" Tony Lopez Smith, 133, in the last round of their scheduled tener.

▶MAZATLAN:—Gilberto Nolasco, 125, outpointed brave Eduardo "Cachorro" Meza, 128, in ten hard rounds. Joe Gonzalez, 145, halted Manny Yamaciro, 139, in the fifth.

▶CUERNAVACA: — Tony Sanchez, 125, bested Victor Adame, 126, in the 10-round main event. Toluco Estrada, 117, outscored Chucho Medina, 118, after ten rolls.

▶MAZATLAN:—Chucho Hernandez, 117, was too good for Javier Gabino, 116. In only two rounds Chucho finished his job.

▶CULIACAN:—Kid Terranova, 133, embalmed Fernando Apodaca, 138, in the eighth.

▶PAPANTLA:—Kid Valor, 137, stopped Agustin Roque, 136, in the second round of the scheduled 10-round semi.

▶CABORCA:—Dusty Brown, 121, stopped veteran washed-off Pedro "Patitas-Chuecas" Garcia, 122, in two rounds. Aztequita Sonorense, 130, decisioned Tony Coralles, 135, in ten.

▶CAMARGO:—Pedro Rodriguez, 135, halted Pedro Perez, 133, in six.

▶SABINAS:—Jose "Toluco" Lopez, 119, high ranked boy in THE RING, halted unknown Jose Beltran, 122, in five rounds. Saul Becerril, 113, one of the best flyweights in Mexico, iced Cuban Reynaldo Tavio, 117, also in the fifth.

▶SAN LUIS POTOSI:—Ricardo Manzanillo Jr., 124, stopped Jorge Ortiz, 126, in nine. Chuy Waldo, 125, stopped Victor Sosa, 126, in the second. Angel Vargas, 130, bested veteran Babe Luna (Juan Manuel Luna), 127, in eight rounds.

▶MONTERREY:—Universitario Cantu, 135, won by disqualification over Apolinar Huerta, 140, in the sixth round. Kid Aztequita, 128, iced Panchito Villa II, 125, in six.

▶CULIACAN:—Chucho Hernandez, 119, kayoed Marcelo Gonzalez, 118, in six rounds.

▶MAZATLAN:—Chucho Arriola, 119, outpointed Pablo Gonzalez, 120, in ten rounds.

▶TIJUANA: — Kid Anahuac (Humberto Martinez), 126, got the duke over Herman Duncan, 128, in a well fought bout of ten rounds.

▶REYNOSA:—Battling Torres, 126, a real promise among our featherweights, stopped Oscar Ivonne, 127, in three rounds. Chaparro DeLeon, 118, bested Ardillita Garcia, 117, in ten. Kid Suave, 145, stopped Canelo Kid, 144, in the ninth.

▶GUADALAJARA:—Joe Becerra, 119, scored his most valuable triumph when he stopped tough Gaetano Annaloro, 117, Italy, in the tenth round. Becerra visited the canvas in the sixth.

Ramon "Bobby" Cervantes, 125, halted Ricardo Manzanillo Jr., 126, in three. Chebo Vazquez, 120, outscored Marcelo Gonzalez, 119, in other tener.

▶ACAPULCO:—Manuel Jimenez, 128, easily handled Tony Lopez Smith, 134, in ten rounds. Marcelino Gomez, 126, halted Gustavo Ohm, 126, in the very first round.

▶CUERNAVACA:—Tribilin Carmona, 115, beat Guillermo Balderas, 117, in ten. Elias Macias, 123, a cousin of Raton Macias, decisioned Baby Garcia, 126, also in ten.

RIGHT FROM MEXICO CITY
By Selsso Tiborro

BOXING CARDS DURING JUNE WERE NOT SO GOOD AS desired. The local promoter imported Jose Luis Cotero and Dwight Hawkins to meet local talent. Here are the month's results:

▶Raul Leanos, 118, decisioned Ray Ruiz, 118, in 10. Eduardo Almazan, 135, decisioned Carlos Loyola, 134, in 8. Rafael Camacho, 135, decisioned Ruben Cadena, 135, in 8. Gallito Segundo, 126, stopped Hector Aceves, 126, in 2. Fidel Alfaro, 112, stopped Fidel Valencia, 111, in 1.

▶Angel Gueraero, 131, decisioned Fidel Lucero, 132, in 10. Emilio Olivares, 126, stopped Tony Alamillo, 131, in 4. Sardito Guerra, 115, decisioned Delfino Martinez, 113, in 8. Max Huerta, 117, stopped Mario Cabarro, 115, in 6. Babe Siki, 111, decisioned Santos Gutierrez, 112, in 4.

▶Javier Garfias, 117, decisioned Alejo Mejia, 119, in 10. Tibico Torres, 117, decisioned Miguel Garcia, 118, in 10. Arnulfo Palomares, 125, stopped Raton Varges, 126, in 5. Roman Rodriguez, 107, decisioned Gallito Vega, 113, in 6. Xochimilca Jimenez, 118, decisioned Margarito Sanchez, 118, in 4.

▶Jose Luis Cotero, 123, decisioned Victor Manuel Quijano, 127, national featherweight king, in 10. Sergio Gomez, 131, decisioned Beto Carbajal, 130, in 10. Juan Ramirez, 125, decisioned Jorge Ortiz, 125, in 8. Cuervo Salinas, 112, stopped Angel Jimenez, 118, in 6. Carles Tolentino, 119, decisioned Gorilon Villafuerte, 119, in 4.

▶Jose Paredes, 136, stopped Enrique Castillo, 132, in 7. Leo Hernandez, 123, drew with Beto Rodriguez, 126, in 8. Gallito Segundo, 117, decisioned Gustavo Sosa, 118, in 8. Miguel Angel Vargas, 119, decisioned Jorge Alatorre, 117, in 6. Fidel Alfaro, 112, stopped Luis Rodriguez, 112, in 3.

▶Lalo Guerrero, 118, stopped Carlos Cardoso, 116, in 6. Chiquis Rosales, 118, stopped Chocolate Barrera, 118, in 2. Alex Jimenez, 118, decisioned Marcel Montoya, 117, in 8. Zurdo Mexicaltzingo, 125, stopped Tacho Serrano, 126, in 4. Kolofox Roberto Garcia, 118, decisioned Fidel Cruz, 118, in 4.

▶Luis Trejo, 126, decisioned Cachorro Meza, 127, in 10. Benny Rodriguez, 135, stopped Eduardo Almazan, 136, in 4. Cosme Maldonado, 135, stopped Luis Espinosa, 135, in 3. Manuel Luna, 132, stopped Carlos Moreno, 132, in 6. Manolo Rivas, 116, stopped Roberto Vidal, 118, in 2.

▶Joe Medel, 114, stopped Dwight Hawkins, 117, in 7. Memo Baltazares, 134, decisioned Indio Conde, 134, in 10. Arnulfo Palomares, 126, stopped Aurelio Mora, 126, in 4. Alfonso Palma, 112, decisioned Chocolate Rodriguez, 112, in 6. Gil Olivera, 126, stopped Tacho Rangel, 125, in 2.

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BOXING IN PANAMA
By Juan W. Copeland

AT THE NATIONAL GYM, BABY QUIROZ, GAINED a split decision in his fifteen rounds flyweight title defense with Victor Asprillo. It was a poor bout. Quiroz had not defended his title for seven years. Rudolfo "Tito" Marshall drew in ten with Roberto Murillo. Both scaled 126.

▶The Torres brothers had another good show at the Panama Olympic Stadium, where Melvin Bourne, former bantam king, gained the unanimous decision over Edwin Sykes, present title holder in an overweight match at 120 pounds.

Hector Hicks, 117¼, won a split decision over Josie Rivas, 121½, in six. Jose Felix Gondolo, 124, won from Serafin Garcia, 124, in a split decision bout in four. Jose Felix, 119, won from Cisco Kid, 120, in four.

▶At the Panama National Gym, the Torres brothers had a show in which Prince Johnson of New York, 127, lost in 10 to Rudolfo "Bobo" Francis, 128. After two defeats in three bouts, Johnson flew back to the States.

Jorge Quintero won over Roy Best, 126, in 6. Cristino Vargas won from Jose Perez, in 4 and T. Brathwaite won from L. Arosemend in 4.

▶At the Arena Colon, Luis Craig gave the fans 24 rounds of good boxing. Claudio Martinez beat Byron Cumberbatch in the feature bantam bout of ten rounds.

Roberto Murillo won over Rudolfo Ampudia, feather, in 6. Jose Gondola won in 4 from David Wright, and Ernesto Campbell won in four from Jose Pacheco in another feather bout.

▶At the Arena Colon, Lin-Duncan, the promoters, Isidro Martinez, feather champion, 126, lost to Jesus Santamaria, the "interim champ" in a splendid battle, the latter stopping Martinez in the tenth round. He took the count sitting on his stool. The loser was unable to come out for the tenth and the official count was made while he sat in his corner. The largest crowd in several years saw the affair with more than $6,000 in at the gate.

Jorge Quintero stopped Puntillito Smith in the sixth. Cristino Vargas won in 4 from Jose Gondolo, 128, and David Wright, 120, koed Herman Aguilero in the first.

BOXING IN YUCATAN
By Eduardo Amer

MERIDA, YUC: Manuel Ravell, 149, won a ten round decision over Percy Armstrong, 160, of Belize. Agustin "Chico" Argaez, 131, outpointed Carlos Lara, 129, in ten. Manuel "Baby" Tolosa, 106, decisioned Baby Villalobos, 109, after 6. Elmer Escalante, 106, beat Tony Caamal, 110, in four.

▶MERIDA, YUC: Negrito Medina, 122, embalmed Rolando Fortiz, 122, in 9 rounds. Manuel "Negrito" Alcala, 135, stopped Miguel "Bombero" Aguilar, 131, in the seventh round. The latter suffered a fractured skull and died two days later; Juan Miranda, 118, put Kiko Santana, 117, to sleep in 3; Baby Luis, 117, bested Adolfo May, 115, in four rolls.

▶CAMPECHE, CAMP: Perla de San Francisco, 114, scored a 4th round TKO over Jorge Correa, 112, of Yucatan.

▶MEXICALI, B. C.: Jose "Toluco" Lopez, Mexican Bantamweight Champ, stopped American Jimmy Cooper in 7 rounds:—Raul Fuentes, 135 iced Yuyin Trejo, 133, of Yucatan, also in seven. Fuentes suffered a gash over one eye in the very first round.

▶MEXICALLI, B. C.: Saul Becerril, 114, TKO'd Kildo Martinez, 119, in five:— Frankie Salas, 136, stopped Yuyin Trejo, 134, of Yucatan, in six.

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BOXING IN ARGENTINA
By Simon Bronenberg and Alfredo Porzio

BUENOS AIRES. — IN THE RING OF "LUNA PARK", UNBEATEN welterweight Miguel Angel Aguero, won the decision in ten rounds, over Francisco Espelocin.

▶CORDOBA.—In the "Cordoba Sport Club", middleweight Marcelo Videla kayoed Juan Carlos Navarro in the second round.

▶MAR DEL PLATA.—Lightweight Hector Quevedo won by a T.K.O. in 7th over Jesus Gomez and Rogelio Andre, in the same division stopped Mario Lopiano, in 9th. The bout was under the promotion of Stadium "Bristol".

▶LA PLATA.—Miguel Angel Pendola won on points in 10 rounds over Carlos Rovira.

▶MAR DEL PLATA.—Fred Galiana, Spanish lightweight kayoed Vincente Panzani, at the "Bristol" in the third. Adolfo Pendas won in 10 rounds from Pedro Quiroga, in the feather division.

▶ROSARIO.—A good prospect in the feather division, undefeated Santos Simili, kayoed Raul Lopez in three.

▶BUENOS AIRES.—At "Luna Park", the feather champion of Spain, Manolo Garcia, drew in 10 rounds with Pedro Miranda.

▶BUENOS AIRES.—Lightheavyweight Rodolfo Diaz, undefeated, kayoed Andres Villalba in one and in the other principal bout, light Vincente Derado won the decision in 10, over Carlos Quintana.

▶LA PLATA.—Undefeated lightheavyweight Guillermo Duchman won in 10 rounds over Carlos Paiva.

▶RIO CUARTO.—Undefeated Osvaldo Canete won in ten rounds over Ernesto Andreozzi at the "Central Argentino Club" in a good lightweight bout.

▶SANTA FE.—In the middle division, Ramon Perello and Angel Bello, drew in 10 rounds.

▶QUILMES.—In his second return match, Jose Colaone kayoed Oscar Malla in the "Quilmes Park" ring in the fourth.

▶COMODORO RIVADAVIA.—Oscar Rojas, a good prospect in the middle division kayoed Antonio Cuevas in the second round.

▶BUENOS AIRES.—In a bout with a record attendance and receipts in LUNA PARK, Fred Galiana, of Spain, drew with the Argentine light champion, Jaime Gine, in 10 rounds.—We disagree with the verdict for

Jaime Gine had outclassed his opponent. Receipts were 985.900 Argentine dollars. The previous receipts record was for the Pascual Perez and Yoshio Shirai bout which drew $855.000 in a non-title contest.

▶MAR DEL PLATA.—Roberto Palavicino, feather, won in 10 rounds over Jose Salvatierra and bantamweight Roberto Olmedo, kayoed Emilio Avila in the third in the "Bristol" Stadium.

▶LA PLATA.—Raul Vargas "challenger" in the feather division, kayoed Jose Domingo Luna, in the first round in the "Atenas" ring. Luna was suspended for one year for going down without being hit.

▶CORDOBA.—The bantam champion of South America, Roberto Castro, won the decision in ten over Roberto Nunez.

▶BUENOS AIRES.—Victor Zalazar knocked out Americo Cordoba, "El Potro de Batan" in the second round and Alberto Jabid, in the welter division, won in 10 from Antonio Varela.

▶BAHIA BLANCA.—Antonio Murano, the "champ", lost on a disqualification in three in his bout with Hector Quijada.

▶VILLA LYNCH.—Juan Carlos Basualdo, lightweight, kayoed our good prospect, Osvaldo Amburi, in the club "Social Villa Lynch", in the opening round.

▶LA PLATA.—The ex-welter champion, Cirilo Gil, won on points in 10 from Alfonso Moreno, in the "Atenas" club.

▶CORDOBA.—Hard puncher Transito Villagra kayoed Rogelio Andre, in the ninth of a lightweight bout.

▶BAHIA BLANCA.—In a demonstration of good boxing, ex-feather champion, Manuel Alvarez, won in 10 rounds over Aldo Gamboa.

▶SANTA FE.—In the ring of "Pabellon de las Industrias", the lightweight Juan Gasparrini, won the decision in 10 rounds over Cesar Vega.

▶BUENOS AIRES.—In the Luna Park ring, the undefeated lightweight Osvaldo Canete drew with Juan Campos, in 10 rounds.

▶BUENOS AIRES.—In Luna Park, light-heavyweight and undefeated Rodolfo Diaz won by a T.K.O. in 8th round over Justo Benitez. In another fight, Rolando Gaballero, lightweight, won in 10 from Antonio Ropollo.

▶BUENOS AIRES.—In his return match, Miguel Angel Pendola, kayoed Elio Rippol, in Luna Park, in the second round.

TEXAS BOXING NEWS

By Harlan Haas

ROY HARRIS, CUT'N SHOOT'S GIFT TO THE BOXING WORLD, returned to action the night of June 24 at the Coliseum in Houston. He was making his first start since winning over Willi Besmanoff last October, but nevertheless he impressed with a fine showing against Vernon Davis in a three round exhibition. Roy toyed with his smaller foe, but showed he has lost none of his speed or strength.

There was plenty of action during the month of June. Both Houston and Dallas had shows that did better than $10,000. The Bayou City with the Cleveland Williams-Frankie Daniels show, and Big D with Donnie Fleeman-Buddy Turman.

The biggest upset during the month was the defeat handed Turman by Fleeman. It looks more and more as if Ralph Smith has a boy who can draw the big gates in Dallas now. Fleeman is the Texas lightheavyweight champion, but scales 180 easily enough, and he stands better than 6 feet, so he can mix it with the big boys too.

▶ODDS & ENDS. . . . Bill Davee, former writer of this column, back in the fight game and busy training his welterweight hopeful Joe Felan. Felan returned to action after several years in the Army, and defeated Lloyd Nelson in Waco. . . . Al Boudreaux, the New Orleans welter, is having himself a big year. His most recent victim was Don Jones of Michigan.

Charley Patterson has improved by leaps and bounds. This rough-tough club fighter is managed by former fighter Doug Watters, and will make a war with most any 135-140 pounder around. He and Aldo Mente staged two tremendous 10 round brawls in Houston during the month of June, and each was so fiercely contested that a third bout may be made. . . . Hammerin' Henry Luera, the veteran Houston featherweight, is going great guns again and is anxious to meet Junior Flores for the State title now that Paul Jorgensen has relinquished same. . . . George Price, Sol Moreno's fine 160-165 pounder, is a boy to watch. He has a win streak going, and is a good all around scrapper. . . . Stan Jones, Houston middleweight, is back in the gym and ready for action. . . . Perry Payne has Ray Gonzales back in training. Ray just returned from a successful invasion of the Pacific Northwest. . . . Billy DeFoe doing a good job of training Paul Jorgensen, and has the world's second ranking featherweight looking sharper with every fight.

▶Brownsville:—Larry Molina (135) decisioned Antonio V. Luna (142) six rounds.

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Monico Garza (124) and Joey Gomez (120) drew, eight rounds. Miguel Coronado (145) kayoed Salvador Padilla Lopez (143) three rounds.

▶Tyler:—Earl Hall (138) kayoed James Singleton (140) two rounds. Roy Copeland (160) decisioned Ennis Cheatham (162) four rounds. Henry Watson (138) decisioned Garland Randall (136) six rounds. George Price (162) decisioned Al McCoy (160) six rounds. Donnie Fleeman (173) decisioned Tommy Sims (165) ten rounds.

▶Brownsville:—Gus O'Horan (130) decisioned Antonio Villegas Luna (134) six rounds. Aurelio Reyna (120) kayoed Nicholas Reyes (120) five rounds. Pedro Gonzalez (118) kayoed Gus Carrera (120) three rounds.

▶Corpus Christi:—Nick Lara (117) kayoed Bruce Garcia (116) two rounds. Fidel Hernandez (140) kayoed Don Glenn (147) four rounds. Rudy Valdez (120) decisioned Gerardo Isoba (120) eight rounds. Tommy Ramirez (170) kayoed Gilberto Hinojosa (168) six rounds.

▶Waco:—Cecil Mott (131) decisioned Marshall Simpson (130) four rounds. Henry Luera (128) kayoed Paul Estrada (128) two rounds. James Ealey (143) decisioned Sammy Williams (150) six rounds. Lajuin Burks (205) lost to Dean Bogany (180) eight rounds. Joe Felan (147) decisioned Lloyd Nelson (150) ten rounds.

▶Brownsville:—Larry Molina (130) Tkayoed Jesus De Leon (130) four rounds. George Gomez (120) decisioned Abel Pena (120) eight rounds. Pedro Zapata (153) decisioned Manuel Banuelos (154) ten rounds.

▶Houston:—Pablo Avila (120½) decisioned Byron Daugherty (118) four rounds. Norris Burse (155) Tkayoed Roy Copeland (157) four rounds. Aldo Mente (138) decisioned Charles Patterson (139½) ten rounds. Roy Harris (192) and Vernon Davis (177) three round Exhibition! Paul Jorgenson (131½) decisioned Gary "Rocky" Randell (135) ten rounds.

▶Brownsville:—Jose Soria (130) decisioned Larry Molina (134) six rounds. Joe Gomez (120) Tkayoed Alfonso Rangel (124) three rounds. Pedro Gonzalez (117) kayoed Monico Garza (119) three rounds.

▶Dallas:—Curtis Cokes (143) Tkayoed Sammy Williams (157) six rounds. Kenny Shields (137) decisioned Henry Watson (137) six rounds. Frank Lawson (178) and Johnny Mason (180) draw six rounds. Jacky Blair (134) decisioned Ruben Munoz (132) eight rounds. Donnie Fleeman (180) decisioned Buddy Turman (180) ten rounds.

▶Corpus Christi:—Anterro Molina (118) decisioned Nick Reyes (116) four rounds. Oscar Ortegon (139) Tkayoed Joe Barcenas (141) six rounds. Rudy Valdez (117) and Oscar Torres (121) draw ten rounds. Tommy Sims (169) decisioned Tommy Ramirez (166) ten rounds.

▶Beaumont:—Cecil Mott (130) Tkayoed Rolando Douglas (128) three rounds. Pablo Avila (120) decisioned Clarence Thomas (120) four rounds. Harold Redmon (157) decisioned Frankie Louis (157) six rounds. Henry Salcido (134) kayoed Paul Estrada (131) three rounds. Lloyd Nelson (151) Tkayoed Joe Polanco (146) three rounds.

▶Brownsville:—David Morales (113) kayoed Roberto P. Trevino (116) two rounds. Nicholas Reyes (117) decisioned Abel Pena (120) eight rounds. Joe Cancio (150) decisioned Jose P. Zapata (154) ten rounds.

▶Houston:—Walter Moerbe (160) kayoed Harold Dixon (151) three rounds. Aldo Mente (138) decisioned Charles Patterson (142) ten rounds. George Price (165) decisioned Tommy Sims (166) six rounds. Cleveland Williams (207½) decisioned Frankie Daniels (185) ten rounds. Rocky Randall (134) kayoed Raymond Riojas (133) eight rounds—championship.

▶Kennett, Missouri:—Dale Davis, 147, Kennett, Missouri, had a rough time on his hands, but managed to stop Johnny Guebera, 145, San Antonio Texas, in the sixth round, of the main attraction. An amateur undercard rounded out the night's festivities. The gate was a disappointing $800.

EUROPEAN GOSSIP

BY CHARLIE PARISH

As usual, the arrival of summer brought its customary toll of upsets. Cavicchi, generally a notable failure in really important fights, took Bologna fans by storm by his great display against Willie Pastrano and Peter Muller, almost flattened by a third-rater in his last outing, sped to America for a quick points victory over Phil Moyer. Uwe Janssen, highly-rated cruiser, lost to obscure Giulio Rinaldi, almost getting himself kayoed in the process while Felix Chiocca got himself pasted by Charley Douglas. Cardenas lost out to Valignat and cannot be considered a threat to Halimi for the time being. The real threat is doubtless Hamalainen of Finland, who trounced tough Robert Tartari in Helsinki. Gustav Scholz is now definitely a lightheavy.

▶ **Bologna,** Italy. While Milan is suffering from the evils of boxing monopolies, Promotor Amaduzzi tried his luck here with that sure-fire local attraction, Franco Cavicchi. The swarthy giant remains an enigma, as always, and his bad performances outnumber his good ones but Cavicchi can always draw a public which is curious to see which way the cat will jump. A crowd of 25,000 turned up when Cavicchi was pitted against Willie Pastrano and, in view of the expensive program, this attendance was sadly insufficient.

Fortunately, Cavicchi was in one of his determined moods on this occasion and gave the American a good scrap. He came in at 212 to Pastrano's 189 and was correspondingly fast. Pastrano sped round the Italian and tapped out a lively tattoo on Cavicchi's features with his dazzling left. It was all Willie until the fourth, when he allowed himself the luxury of punching it out with the Italian. A common weakness of stylish fighters is a wish to show their ruggedness and Pastrano paid for his forgetfulness by taking a heavy pasting. He resumed his old tactics in the fifth and boxed rings round the patient Franco, who plodded after his man with grim fortitude. By the ninth, Pastrano had nearly shot his bolt and it was now Cavicchi's turn to gain the spotlight. He caught up with the tantalizing Yank and nailed him with several telling left hooks to the midriff. Pastrano didn't like this and found some reserve of energy to keep himself pedalling out of danger during the last round. There was no doubt who had won—Pastrano, but Cavicchi had at last made a commendable fight.

Mario De Persio became the new heavyweight champion by stopping game Uber Bacilieri at the end of the ninth round but this was due to a butt received during the third round which split his right eye. Another heavyweight star was eclipsed when Jose Gonzales, the Spaniard, was stopped in four rounds by Mino Bozzano. For some reason this was hailed as a great success. If Bozzano is the great prospect he is claimed to be, Gonzales was surely just a rung on the ladder. Massimo Zanaboni made a great job of whipping Giannino Luise via the points route, giving a display of fistic versatility unusual in a heavy.

Mario Vecchiatto also scored a triumph by shattering Giuseppe Marotto inside one round. Two heavy wallops, the last a right hook, left the visitor too groggy to continue. Tavolazzi edged Camponeschi in a cruiser four wind-up.

▶ **Oslo,** Norway. The second post-war boxing show took place here at the Jordal Amfi and was a sporting and financial success. It was a tough night for the local fighters, called on to meet far more experienced foes. Leif Hansen's bout with Tommy Baars was only his fourth pro outing but the Norseman put up a great fight against the Dutch colonial, who is also Dutch champ. He cut Baars' left eye early in the bout but was unable to repeat the dose. He led in the early rounds but Baars' experience gradually gained him the upper hand and a split eye forced Hansen to retire in the seventh.

Anders Haga, Norse bantam, had another hard nut to crack, Sugar Ray, who hails from Dutch Guiana. Sugar Ray kept up a lively attack and finally stopped Haga in the fourth. Nelis Oostrum, Holland, just got the edge over Germany's Gerd Moll in a rugged middles six and Baby De Voogd, Dutch heavy, returned to action after a long absence to trounce crude Horst Herold of Germany, likewise over six rounds. The attendance was 4,300 and this factor has encouraged the promotors, who include boxer Leif Hansen, to stage another program at the end of August.

▶ **Rome.** The teak-hard Parisian, Jean Ruellet, has often tasted defeat but has only once in his lengthy career been knocked cold. Gustav Scholz turned that trick and Ted "Farmer" Wright, the immensely popular American now guesting in Rome, did the next best thing by halting the dour French middle in eight rounds. Wright decked the Frenchman, six pounds heavier, four times before the ref halted proceedings. But honors of the night went to Giulio Rinaldi, an obscure newcomer who came within an ace of flattening Uwe Janssen of Germany in the opening round. The German cruiser was caught napping by a right to the jaw which dropped him for "7". He went down for "3" in the next heat, being saved by the gong but found his work cut out to hold off the fiercely attacking Rinaldi. Excellent boxing won Janssen several rounds but at the end of the eight sessions the Teuton walked over and lifted Rinaldi's arm, a very sporting gesture. Giancarlo Garbelli won handily over Sandy Manuel in a welter ten, after an early struggle, and Joe Rafiu King, Nigerian feather, trounced Sergio Milan over eight.

▶ **Paris.** At the Central, Michel Lapourielle kept active by licking Dante Lepercq in a heavies ten and some days later, at the Salle Wagram, more of the heavy brigade were on display when Emile Vidal met Maurice Mols to decide a challenger for champion Robert Duquesne. The stocky but more aggressive Vidal hammered out a deserved win over his foe, over twelve rounds.

▶ At **Limoges,** Michel Lamara outscored Rene Beolet in a feathers eight and at **Biarritz,** Andre Drille made fairly short work of Heinz Sattler, stopping the German in round five of a robust middles bout.

▶ **Helsinki,** Finland. Most of the Northern Lights shone brightly for Promoter Elis Ask and none more so than Pentti Hamalainen, the Kotka Clouter, who copped a clear verdict over Robert Tartari at the Masshallen. This was the Finn's fourth pro start and first ten-rounder but he took the course like a veteran against the ring-wise Frenchman and garnered eight rounds out of ten. The eighth was Tartari's best round, when he landed a couple of swings but for the rest it was all Pentti. Another star is Risto Luukkonen, who boxed a neat points win over Henri Schmid of France in a bantam eight and at the same weight, Olavi Ouvinen lost out to Germany's Fritz Rings, who has been long inactive. Pentti Rautiainen won by a mile over Joe Buck of Germany in a lightweight six and Ilkka Koski made his pro debut by outscoring bloated Hans Drabes of Germany in a heavies six. Koski has unfortunately already given his best years to the amateur sport. Again there was a full house; the promoter has his eye on a tilt at Halimi for his protege, Hamalainen.

▶ **Mestre,** Italy. Bruno Scarabellin, known as the Hercules of the Lagoons, almost failed in one his allotted labors here when he tangled with Gawie De Klerk, the obstinate South African who gave Cavicchi such a close run. The muscular Venetian did not convince and his official victory over the Springbok was given a bad reception by press and public. Nello Barbadero still has the old dynamite and proved this by blasting Sergio Milan to a halt in the third heat of their feathers slam. Ivan Tombolini licked Mangiarelli in a feathers eight and Plinio Scarabellin impressed by stopping Walter Sentimenti in the opening round of a cruiser slam. Rampin drew with Montanari in a flyweight six.

▶ **Bologna,** Italy. Altidoro Polidori received a severe setback to his plans for a shot at the national title by losing on points here to young Ray Nobile in a feathers eight. The verdict was severe, in the general opinion. On the same bill, Umberto Vernaglione stopped Roberto Conti in the fifth round of a welter affair.

▶ At **Velletri,** Calandra defeated Salvatore Boi in a middles six and at **Viterbo,** Luigi Male came back to whip Max Heinze of Germany in a good welter eight. His brother, Agostino, bested Balducci in a lightie six. Angelo Brisci won a disappointing middles ten over the veteran Constant Alcanaara in bout marred by butting and clinching.

▶ **Abidjan,** French West Africa. Neville Rowe, visiting Australian cruiser, suffered a knockout defeat here when he was flattened by Kouame Yao in the ninth round.

▶ **St. Ouen,** near Paris. Michel Lamora easily outshone Pierre De Souza in a fast bantam ten and Stan Sobolak likewise trimmed Robert Lallemand in a bantam scuffle over ten rounds.

▶ At **Granoble,** Dufreney outscored Michel Dinot in a cruiser eight and at Sens, Pierre Rossi licked Esteban Martin in a flyweight ten. Andre Drille continued his series of wins by stopping rugged Manolo Correa in nine rounds in their middles clash at Bordeaux.

▶ In **Paris,** Francois Lecreurer defeated Armand Meyer in a welter ten at the Central.

▶ **Sarzana,** Italy. After a lengthy layoff, Aldo Pellegrini returned to the wars, registering a points win over crude Mario Saviane in a heavyweight eight.

CONTINENTAL RATINGS

(MONTH ENDING JULY 21, 1958)

HEAVYWEIGHTS	CRUISERS	MIDDLES	WELTERS
1. Ingo Johansson (SW)	Erich Schoppner (G)	Charles Humez (F)	Giancarlo Garbelli (I)
2. Heinz Neuhaus (G)	Willi Hoepner (G)	Hans Wohlers (G)	Emilio Marconi (I)
3. Willy Besmanoff (G)	Rocco Mazzola (I)	Italo Scortichini (I)	Bruno Visintin (I)
4. Mino Bozzano (I)	Gustav Scholz (G)	Andre Drille (F)	Jacq. Herbillon (F)
5. Franco Cavicchi (I)	Germinal Ballarin (F)	Max Resch (G)	Fortunato Manca (I)
6. Bruno Scarabellin (I)	Charles Colin (F)	Franz Szuzina (G)	Stefan Redl (G)
7. Albert Westphal (G)	Uwe Janssen (G)	Michel Diouf (F)	Ben Buker II (S)
8. Ulli Ritter (G)	Artenio Calzavara (I)	Leen Jansen (H)	Seraphin Ferrer (F)
9. Mario De Persio (I)	Dieter Wemhoner (G)	Peter Muller (G)	Chris Christensen (D)
10. Hans Kalbfell (G)	Yao Kouame (F)	Francois Anewy (F)	Chico Santos (P)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERS	BANTAMS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Duilio Loi (I)	Cherif Hamia (F)	Alphonse Halimi (F)	Young Martin (S)
2. Laouri Godih (F)	Sergio Caprari (I)	Mario D'Agata (I)	Robert Pollazon (F)
3. Fred Galiana (S)	Gracieux Lamperti (F)	Piero Rollo (I)	Jose Ogazon (S)
4. Mario Vecchiatto (I)	Jean Sneyers (B)	Pentti Hamalainen (FN)	Edgar Basel (G)
5. Felix Chiocca (F)	Manolo Garcia (S)	Juan Cardenas (S)	Francisco Carreno (S)
6. Fernand Nollet (F)	Giordano Campari (I)	Eugene Le Cozanet (F)	Jean Guerrard (F)
7. Epiphane Akono (F)	Louis Poncy (F)	Pierre Cossemyns (B)	Risto Lukkonen (FN)
8. Piet van Klaveren (H)	Aldo Pravisani (I)	Dante Bini (F)	Ben Ali (S)
9. Guy Gracia (F)	Andre Valignat (F)	Federico Scarponi (I)	Andre Gasperini (F)
10. Germano Cavalieri (I)	Altidoro Polidori (I)	Antonio Diaz (S)	Rene Libeer (F)

LEGEND: B Belgium; D Denmark; F France; FN Finland; G Germany; H Holland; I Italy; P Portugal; S Spain; SW Sweden.

▶ At **Civitavecchia**, Franco Scisciani made it clear that he is the outstanding arrival among current Italian middles by stopping powerful Gino Rossi in seven rounds. Rossi was recently narrowly outpointed by Scortichini for the title.

▶ At **Padua**, Federico Friso was held to a draw by up-and-coming Bonino Allevi in a heavyweight eight.

▶ **Las Palmas**, Spain. The oldest fighter still in action in Spain is Emilio Orozco and he threw a surprise here by gaining a draw with young Cristobal Cisneros in a welter eight.

▶ In **Madrid**, Domingo Lopez, another veteran, put paid temporarily to the hopes of Millan de la Cuerda by stopping the middles prospect in round eight.

▶ **St. Brieuc**, France. Since Gaston Mathieu earned that cock-eyed victory over Seraphin Ferrer he has perforce been recognized as challenger to Jacques Herbillon for the welter title. There were few who gave the raw Breton much chance against the Pale Puncher even in his own good city—where the fight took place. But Mathieu took everything that came his way for eight rounds. He saw an opening during the ninth, flashed in with a right hook to the jaw and presto! Herbillon was sprawling on the deck. But the champ was up at "9" and he went on to win comfortably on points. Jackimyszin stopped Duchesne in the fourth heat of another welter clash.

▶ **Paris**. The glitter has certainly worn off some of those French stars of a couple of years ago. Seraphin Ferrer and the Chiocca brothers in particular. At the Salle Wagram, Felix Chiocca met up with Charley Douglas, a member of the Jimmy King stable now ravaging France and Italy. Douglas whipped the youngest of the Chioccas by a very considerable margin and now gets a shot at Duilio Loi in Rome. Luchetti stopped Ceslaw Dudek in the second round of a middles clash and Pesentti stopped Luc Domec in the third round of a welter debate.

▶ **Casablanca**, Morocco. A popular guest here is the blond Parisian battler, Andre Valignat, and he cemented this goodwill by clouting out a good win over Juan Cardenas, the Spaniard. The latter has not been the same fighter since his knockout by Raton Macias. Rene Cerdan, nephew of the late Marcel Cerdan, was in a hurry, demolishing his Spanish rival, Jose Escudero, with a knockout in the second frame of their middles clash.

▶ At **Caudry**, Robert Duquesne whipped Maurice Mols in a heavyweight ten and at **Marseilles**, Claude Negrel stopped Roger Facqueur in the sixth round of a middles duel.

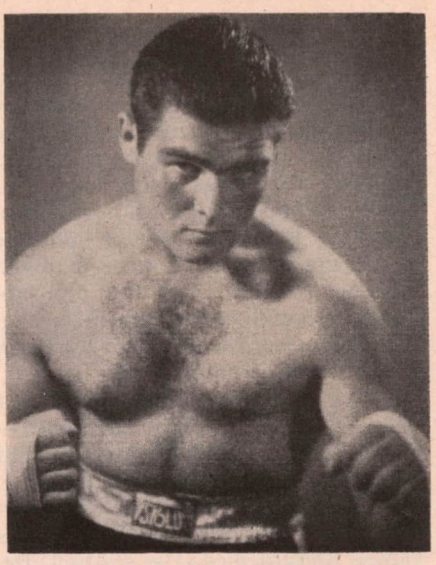
▶ In **Paris**, Claude Cordier-Galletti continued his winning ways at the Central by trouncing tough Andre Oueille in a midles ten. Rene Libeer iced Charmeroy in the opening heat of a bantam discussion.

▶ **Barcelona**, Spain. Antonio Lopez Durban returned to action here with a resounding knockout of Juanito Segura in the first round of a feathers fray.

▶ **Lugo**, Italy. The summer is the season for boxing upsets and this was true of Annibale Omodei's meeting with Bruno Ravaglia in a non-title scrap. Omodei, national lightie champ and fighter of some experience, was overwhelmed by the storming attacks of the ex-amateur star who won clearly via the points route in eight rounds. Scipiloti got the better of veteran Jean Falesky, Roumanian welter over six rounds.

▶ **Essen**, Germany. Even the appearance of two guests from Latin America failed to draw much of a crowd to the Dubois Arena, where several good bouts took place. In the main spot, Tuzo Portuguez of Costa Rica put on a superman act against the serious style of Erwin Hack, 170. The scowling visitor just walked into Hack from start to finish, taking three or four punches to land one. He lounged in his corner, refusing a stool between rounds, giving all to witness that here was the man who cracked Scholz's rib during a spar session. He flung punches from every quarter of the compass and one of these caught the German southpaw during the fifth round and dropped him for "8". This was Tuzo's sole achievement, otherwise Hack simply outboxed his man and landed almost at will, winning over eight rounds.

The other visitor, Conrado Moreiro of Chile, was not fast enough to catch up with Edgar Basel, who out-generalled the Latin and won this flyweight eight with a respectable margin. Dieter Wemhoner was too good for plucky Luis Serra of Spain and stopped the Iberian in round six with a cut eye while Charlie Yates, U.S.A. welter, defeated Albert Muller in a good six-rounder. Horst Borzokowski drew with Herbert Sowa in a desperate middles six.



Massimo Zanaboni, young Italian heavyweight, did a fine job in whipping Gannno Luise over eight rounds on the Pastrano-Cavicchi card at Bologna, Italy.

▶ **Vienna**, Austria. Italian invaders wrought damage here in a couple of pro bouts on an otherwise amateur program. Bruno Polet, a tough Trieste battler who has already impressed in Swiss rings, was too good for Alois Maxa and chilled the local feather in the sixth round. Maxa took five trips to the canvas. Stefan Schweizer was more fortunate in that he lasted the distance against Ciro Izzo in another feathers six but took two counts in the process.

▶ **Berlin**. Efforts are once more being made to get a small hall going in the German capital, on the style of the Paris Central and Stadium clubs. Such halls are obviously essential to the development of young talent but much depends on getting a regular clientele. Despite rain a crowd of 1500 attended this premiere at the New World in Berlin, with Harry Kurschat as main attraction. For the first time as a paid battler, the Berliner was taken the distance. Andre Henryet, 135, of France, fought back desperately and despite heavy punishment he lasted the six rounds without taking a count.

Helmut Ball, just returned from the States, came in at 167 against Gerard Van Eyk, 159, of Holland and had his hands full in dealing with the obstinate Dutchman. Van Eyk ran into trouble early on but recovered well enough to share honors at the end of eight rounds. Werner Walloschek, 226, made his pro debut against Horst Herold and stopped the latter in the third round of an uninspired bout. Another newcomer, Klaus Langhammer, 171, won a close four-rounder from Gunter Huber and Wolfgang Bohner, 128, hammered Tony Van Eyk to defeat in six rounds. In the final round the Dutchman took three counts and was taken out of action.

▶ **Dornbirn**, Austria. The globe-trotting Turk, Ziyaris Taki, headlined here against Elio Busetto, 138, who was billed as challenger for the Italian title. This is not true but Busetto is certainly at his best when fighting outside his national frontiers and gave the Turk plenty to think about; Taki, however, won this eight-rounder by a comfortable margin.

Leo Potesil won his third pro bout in an unsatisfactory fashion as his opponent, Antonio Cainero, 147, was ruled out in the fourth round for butting. Ciro Izzo had less luck against Gerhard Topf, being handily defeated by the local feather in six fast rounds. Attendance was about 2,000 and this has encouraged the promoters to put on further professional shows.

GERMAN BOXING DIARY
By J. A. Tree

BERLIN: HARRY KURSCHAT (BERLIN) WON ON POINTS over six rounds from Andre Henryer of France, the first time the German failed to win inside the distance. A crowd of 1,500 was on hand for Helmut Rahn's promotion.

Helmut Ball (Bielefeld) drew in eight with Van Eyk of Holland. Ball injured his hand early in the contest. Making his pro debut, Klaus Langhammer decisioned Gunter Huber in four rounds.

Wolfgang Bohnert stopped Tony Van Eyk of Holland in six. Horst Herold was stopped by Werner Walleschek in three rounds.

▶ Essen: At an outdoor show, promoted by Fritz Gretzschel, at the Dubois Arena, Horst Borcoskowski (Berlin) drew in six with Herbert Sowa. The attendance was 3,000.

Charlie Yates, of America, won on points, six rounds, over Albert Muller, Dusseldorf. Dieter Wemhomer (Berlin) stopped Vicenta Serra of Spain in six rounds.

Erwin Hack (Hamburg) decisioned Tuzo Portuguez of Costa Rica in eight rounds.

Edgar Basel (Bremen) won an eight round decision over Conrado Moreiro of Spain.

IN OLD NEW ENGLAND
By Don Hamill

BOSTON — MECHANIC'S BUILDING — BILLY RYAN, 171¾, DYNAMIC PUNCHING Lowell battler, added the Maine light heavyweight champion to his already long list of kayo victims when he stopped Gordon Farnsworth, 168, Bangor, in the fifth round in the top of three eight rounders.

Eddie Connors, 147¾, Sharon, returned to the ring after a long absence and punched out a decision over Al Duarte, 142¾, South Dartmouth, in eight rounds. Bob Woodall, 203, Roxbury, gained a one sided duke over Sam Edwards, 191, Newark, in the third eight spot. In fours: Dick DiVola, 125¾, Charlestown, continued undefeated by winning over Joey Delio, 129¾, Providence; Pedro Castillo, 142, Hartford, and Leo Carey, 148, Woburn, ended up all even; and Nick Previti, 139½, South Boston, continued his unbeaten streak with a decision over Johnny Bradley, 144¾, New York.

▶ FORT FAIRFIELD—Armory—Jarrel (Cobra) Pate, 144, Caribou Air Force Station, won the Maine state welterweight championship by halting Joseph (Butsy) Gallant, 150, Mexico, Me., in the tenth and final round. Pate shows a lot of promise and has been improving with leaps and bounds.

Veteran Blair Macomber, 144, Bangor, copped the eight round semi-final over Clarence Jackson, 146, Loring AFB, in an action packed bout. In the four round opener, Alden Folsom, 158, Monticello, battled to a draw with Pat Gagnon, 164, Edmunston, N. B.

▶ BANGOR—Auditorium—Holly Mims, 158, Washington, D. C., won all ten rounds in punching out a lopsided decision over veteran Sammy Walker, 160½, Springfield, Mass. Mims punched Walker at will and in the ninth round had Walker rocking. Mims was impressive with his speedy jabbing and hooking that seldom missed the mark.

Clarence Jackson, 146, Loring AFB, won an interesting six round decision from Gunboat Steeves, 149, Pittsfield, Me., in the semi-final. Tony Williams, 149, Baltimore, Md., belted out Willie Moore, 146, Chester, Pa., with a left hook to the midsection. Lou Shores, 165, Baltimore, scored two knockdowns in stopping Dana Farnsworth, 162, Bangor, in the third round.

▶ NEW BEDFORD — Sargent Field — Wily Willie Pep, 130, Hartford, won as he pleased over willing Pat McCoy, 132, Ireland, in ten rounds. The aggressive, shorter Irisher concentrated on a body attack but seldom was able to get inside Pep's guard. It was an interesting fight with Pep in command all of the way.

Jimmy Connors, 132, New Bedford, made short work of Gene Pless, 128¾, Brooklyn, whom he stopped in the first round. Charlie Lopes, 202, Boston, kayoed Harrison Glover, 208, New York, in the second of a sixer. Georgie Walker, 139¼, Providence, gained a decision over Johnny Bradley, 146, New York, in four rounds. In the opener of the same distance, Willie Greene, 160½, Warwick, R. I., won over the much more experienced Harvey Lammers, 154, New Bedford.

▶ ATHOL—Memorial Hall—Tommy Garrow, 137½, Claremont, N. H., was elevated from the semi-final slot to the main event when scheduled finalist Gordon Parker badly lacerated his hand while slicing watermelon. Garrow proved too strong and rugged for Lou Carmona, 137½, Puerto Rico, in the eight round main event. It was a pleasing fight, loaded with action, but lacking in science. Former world's heavyweight champ, Rocky Marciano, refereed the bout.

Young Beau Jack, 163, Dorchester, cuffed Johnny Ray, 165½, New York, handily to win a clear cut six round decision. Leo Carey, 151, Woburn, turned in an impressive performance in stopping Kenny Stokes, 161½, Boston, in the second round. Pedro Castillo, 140, Hartford, outslugged Mike DeFeo, 151, Brighton, in four hectic rounds. Psalm Johnson, 132, Hartford, annihilated Bob Shaughnessy, 126, Roxbury, in the final of a four.

PROMOTERS AND THEIR CHAMPIONS

(*Continued from page 9*)

The sponsor wasn't included in Uncle Mike's thinking. His customers would have to pay wherever they were.

And so TelePrompter may become Patterson's promoter, playing the same role Rickard played for Dempsey. Of course Tex was no greenhorn when he agreed to pay Willard $100,000 to defend the title aaginst the Manassa Mauler. Kearns, against his will, had to accept $27,500 for the challenger. He wanted more, naturally, but he got away without signing an exclusive services contract with Rickard.

Dempsey was never bound to Rickard by contract. He was free to fight for other promoters, but his experience in Shelby, Montana, where his battle with Tommy Gibbons was a financial fiasco, convinced him. From then on Jack fought for Tex exclusively.

Kearns directed the Dempsey build-up of course, and developed him into boxing's top attraction while getting him a chance at the championship. When the break came following the Luis Angel Firpo bout, Rickard became in fact, though not in name, Dempsey's manager. The front men were Bill Duffy and Leo P. Flynn, but Rickard called the shots.

The immediate result was the largest crowd ever to attend a boxing bout—120,757—on the rainy night Dempsey lost the crown to Gene Tunney. The return bout drew the biggest gate—$2,658,660—at Chicago a year later.

All of Tunney's title fights were promoted by Rickard, who also built the new Madison Square Garden. Through Dempsey, Rickard was the top promoter, the undisputed boss of boxing, in an age when there was no television to kill off competition.

It may or may not be significant that none of the promoters mentioned—Rickard, Jacobs and Norris—lingered long after their champions departed. Shortly after Tunney retired undefeated, and Dempsey had hung up his gloves, Rickard died. His creation, the Garden Corporation, supervised the crowning of Gene's successor in the person of Max Schmeling.

Louis retired, also undefeated, to join Norris after illness had removed Jacobs from the scene. Unlike Tunney, Joe made the mistake of coming back only to be defeated by Ezzard Charles. He lingered on to be knocked out by Marciano.

When Marciano quit undefeated he left to Norris the task of crowning his successor. This Jim did, as he had done after Louis quit, but he too, has departed in ill health. He has left his International Boxing Club in legal difficulties, including a grand jury investigation of boxing in New York, and an anti-trust suit by the Federal Government.

He has also left Patterson on the heavyweight throne, and for the present in the hands of TelePrompter Corporation.

Where does the champion go, provided he defeats Harris as he is favored to do? Perhaps Kahn, as TelePrompter, has the answer. He is not the first theatrical man to dabble in the heavyweight situation.

William A. Brady, a theatrical producer, managed two world heavyweight champions—James J. Corbett and James J. Jeffries. Much of the promoting however was done by Sunny Jim Coffroth. Eventually Coffroth gave up fight promotion for racing, even as Norris has done.

The public, I am sure, is interested in the fighters, rather than in the promoters, and therefore Patterson's future is in his own hands. He is the one the people see, either in the arena, or on a screen, and his popularity will depend on his performance against Roy Harris.

These are changing times, and Floyd Patterson might be called the first heavyweight champion of the electronic era.

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SOUTH AFRICAN NEWS
By Les Muller

European Round-up—Pietermaritzburg—Jose Orgazon (113), Spanish flyweight champion, beat Graham Van der walt (114), South African bantam and featherweight champion on a disqualification in the fifth round. Orgazon was clearly ahead when the referee stopped the fight. Van der walt used his head.

Benny Niewenhuizen (145) narrowly outpointed Buster Perry, (146½) over ten rounds to win the Natal welterweight title.

Bernie Taylor, (122½) outpointed Boet Stander, (116). Dickie Williams (158½) beat Piet Gouws (162½) on a first round T. K. O. Wally Madley knocked-out Ronnie Steele in the second round. They are welterweights.

▶ **Lourenco Marques:**—Johnny Van Rensburg, South Africa's Empire welterweight champion, lost a very narrow points decision to Chico Santos, Portuguese champion, over ten hard fought rounds. Van Rensburg was handicapped by a cut above his left eye in round five. The decision received a mixed reception.

▶ **Non-European Round-Up:—Durban:**—Sexton Mabena, Non-European bantamweight champion, retained his title by stopping Leslie Tangee in the sixth round at the Durban City Hall. Mabena arrived at the weigh-in one pound over weight, and after the fourth trip to the scales, he just made the limit.

Nagoor Governor, (117¾) kayoed Ronnie McBride, (120) in one round. K. O Siki (111½) beat David Joe on points. Victor Hulley, (119) beat P. Stevens (120), on a second round T. K. O. Louis Joshua, (116½) beat Frisco Sekati, (118) on points. Eddie Fisher, (126) beat Kid Bernard on points.

▶ **Johannesburg:—Johnny Linda Non-European** lightweight champion, retained his title by stopping challenger, Elijah Mokone, in the 9th round on a T. K. O. Mokone was bleeding freely from the nose.

Eddie Kekana beat Kid Marais on points over eight good rounds. H. Madonsela, (127½) beat Raphael Mofokeng, (130) on points over six rounds. Peter Moledi outpointed Stanley Ngqandu over six rounds. Evidence Mogale beat Raphaël Mofokeng on points also over six rounds.

▶ **Johannesburg: — Joas Maoto** impressed with a grand points victory over Willie Seku, at the Johannesburg Social Centre. It was an eight round lightweight contest, which pleased the customers. Freddie Ngidi retained his Transvaal flyweight title by stopping veteran Philip Lekwete (Kid Dynamite) in the sixth round.

Flyweight:—Paul Moloro outpointed Peter Bayigaki over six rounds.

Featherweight:—Lot Simelane beat Ezekiel Moloi also on points over six rounds.

Welterweight:—Junior Hlati outclassed Johannes Tshabalala. Small Joe was surprisingly defeated by Nimrod Mofokeng.

▶ **Bloemfontein:** — Bloemfontein held its second tournament this year at the Paradise Hall. In the main bout Eddie Matshedisho knocked out Joseph Bogart in 73 seconds of the first round. This was a welterweight fight. Abran Ramnile beat John Leegobane over six rounds. This was the best fight of the night. They are feathers. King Koaha was fully extended by Kid Lulu in a six round featherweight clash.

▶ **Sexton Mabena,** Non-European bantamweight champion, is very keen to campaign in the States or Canada. Mabena is a very promising bantam. David Motsumi. Vereeniging. Transvaal. South Africa, is his manager.

BOXING NEWS FROM HAWAII
By Ted Yamachika

FLASH ELORDE OF THE PHILIPPINES PUNCHED OUT a clean cut decision over Ike Chestnut of New York in a ten round fight at the Honolulu Stadium. Southpaw Elorde, 128¾, who is ranked a step above Chestnut, 120, nationally, used his speed to outhit his opponent in the majority of the rounds. The decision in his favor was unanimous with Referee Louis Freitas scoring it 48-45; Judges Peter Thomas and Walter Cho, 50-40 and 49-45, respectively.

While fast-paced and classy, the fight being a battle strictly between two clever but light-hitting boxers, proved uninteresting for most of the fans. Elorde scored best with a fast left jab and occasional left hooks.

Anacleto Battad, 153½, decisioned Lem Miller, 145, 6 rounds. Mel Freitas, 142¼, beat Felix Aciro, 141½, 4 rounds.

Wilfred Tisalona, 132¾, defeated Marvin Rose, 134½, 4 rounds. Philip Ortiz, 117, decisioned Walter Kinoshita, 122, 4 rounds.

▶ Collier Cox, a visiting fighter from Phoenix, Arizona, beat highly touted Rufino Ridella with ridiculous ease in a ten round fight held at the Civic Auditorium. The decision was unanimous and quite decisive. Cox was credited with seven rounds. The other three rounds were scored even.

Ridella, 126¼, a definite pre-fight favorite because of his recent wins over Shigeji Kaneko and Nate Brooks, was never in the fight. Even in the first three rounds, the only rounds he came anywheres close to winning, he wasn't able to land a single hard blow.

Cox, 125½, started off cautiously but once he gained the upper hand he never relinquished it. In the later rounds he was scoring with stinging left hooks and right crosses almost at will.

Promoted by Boxing Enterprises, Ltd., the fight drew 1,572 fans and grossed $2,536.00.

Philip Ortiz, 117, outpointed Francis Militante, 116½, 6 rounds. Harold Mara, 131½, beat Yoichi Suzuki, 133, 4 rounds.

Yutaka Saikawa, 138½, decisioned Marvin Rose, 138, 4 rounds. Mel Freitas, 140, TKO'ed Dan Melendez, 135, in the third.

IN HIS SECOND HONOLULU APPEARANCE IN ABOUT A MONTH, Nate Brooks, 119½, on a comeback, was badly trounced by Floyd Gatiuan, 121, in a ten round fight at the Civic Auditorium.

Brooks was willing and tried hard enough but the long layoff and his youthful opponent proved too much for him and he lost by a wide margin. Only once, in the third, did he show flashes of form when he lashed out with some effective blows to the head and body. This was the only round credited to him. Gatiuan landed punches at the exchange rate to 2 to 1 but his punches were too light to hurt Brooks.

In a companion tenner, Shigeji Kaneko, 127¼, of Japan pounded out an easy, unanimous decision over Lionel Rivera, 124½. Kaneko's stamina, which enabled him to set and maintain a terrific pace, was simply too much for Rivera. Kaneko scored the only knockdown of the fight in the tenth round.

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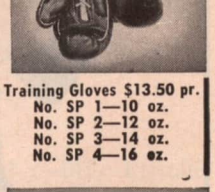

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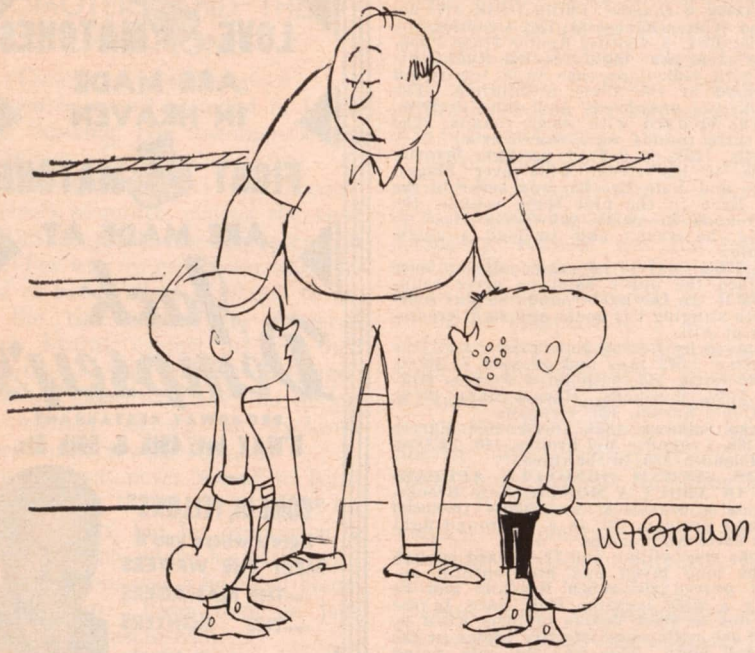

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FROM THE PHILIPPINES
By Felipe J. C. Galang

AL ASUNCION, 119, AND BANTAMWEIGHT CHAMPION OF THE PHILIPPINES halted Koji Isibasi, 119⅜, and bantamweight champion of Japan in the 6th at the Coliseum. The boys were fighting on even terms when the Japanese gave up the fight in the rest period of the 6th. The heavy bombardment inflicted by Asuncion to the body had taken its toll. Vic Campo, 114, and flyweight champion of the Islands defeated Shichiro Kimura, 113, of Japan in a 10 round supporting main event. The Filipino was too clever for his rival.

Angel Boy, 120, won over Cris Miranda, 120, in another 10 rounder. Cris was leading by a slight margin until the 5th round. Angel Boy won the 9th and 10th by such a very wide margin that the officials rendered their decision in his favor. Young Aquino, 114, and Angeles Alberto, 113, drew in 8. Bert Gonzales, 119, defeated Narcing David, 118, in 8. Gomy Herman, 114, lost to B. de Marco, 113, in 6. Dixie Logan, 115, bested Jess de Leon, 114, in the 4 round curtain raiser.

▶ Leo Espinosa, 112½, Oriental bantamweight champion, successfully defended his crown by badly outpointing Dommy Ursua, 112½, in 12 rounds at the Coliseum. Leo toyed with Ursua. From the 3rd to the last stanza, Leo was the aggressor. He almost kayoed Ursua in a neutral corner with lefts and rights to the face and body without a return.

James Hardman, 118, drew with Oscar Reyes, 121, in 10 rounds. Lourinez Jr., 117, won over Viva Zapata, 114, in 6 rounds. Pat Alburo, 142, defeated Benny Salem, 140, in 6. Pee Wee Vasquez, 120, bested Al Cantara, 123, in 6. Terrible Max, 128, decisioned Cris Agagao, 126, in 6. Joe Perez, 124, drew with Larry Padilla, 128, in 4.

▶ Terry Pancho, 128, kayoed Gay Lory, 128, in 3rd round in Saroy, Lanao. Baby Fuentes, 120, halted Jimmy Alcantara, 122, in 7. Young Gony, 125, kayoed Baby Jarantilla, 125, in 3. Rocky Mentante, 125, and Dane Jr., 125, drew in 6.

▶ Al Manalang, 130, kayoed Young Cezar, 130, in the 6th round, in Guaggua, Pampanga under the promotion of Ricardo Sumanqui. Rufi Pineda, 126, outpointed veteran Puyas Boy, 127, in 6. Little Brown, 112, won over San Juan Boy, 118, in 6 rounds. Young Lubao, 124, drew with Al Manalang Jr., 124, in 4. Peping Cortez, 118, halted El Dorable, 118, in 1. Rey Loreto, 122, halted Lucky Mar, 118, in 2. Ric Simon, 110, kayoed Baby Mrio Jr., 112, in 3.

▶ Flash Menny, 126, kayoed Al Flores, 132, in the first round in Binakayan, Cavite. A right to the jaw ended the fight. Danny Rodenas, 120, halted Baby Ormoc, 120, in 3. Alex Olinares, 118, drew with Tony Chavez, 116, in 6. Primo Pamiro, 117, knocked out Baby Eagle, 115, in 5. Kid Salusoy, 116, decisioned Flash Menny Jr., 114, in 4. Fighting Mariano, 100, defeated Tanny Sanchez, 100, in 4.

▶ Rufi Pineda, 135, lost to Terry Flores, 142, in 6 rounds in Guagua, Pampanga. The young and strong Rufi was no match for the tough veteran Flores. Paul Sebastian, 118, defeated Cris Santiago, 119, in 6. Al Manalang Jr., 119, and Rush Army, 119, drew in 4. Young Lubao, 120, halted Clever Santos, 119, in 3. Mart Manansala, 116, stopped Kid Faby, 115, in 2. Star Kenton, 112, won over Young Carlos, 111, in 4. Young Melchor, 110, bested Young Erning, 110, in 4.

▶ Tommy Falcon, 135, defeated Kid Tony, 138, in 8 rounds in Santiago, Isabela. Nick Johnson, 128, defeated Andres Castelo, 126, in 6 rounds. Dommy Perez, 112, halted Little Wolgast, 115, in 4. Rose Tatoo, 120, kayoed Moro Kid, 124, in 3.

MARYLAND'S MERRY MAULERS
By Joe Poodles, Sr.

IN THE FIRST PROFESSIONAL BOXING SHOW HELD in Baltimore in two years Tony Baldoni, 158, and Johnny Cunningham, 152, put on a sizzler at the Coliseum, that had the 914 fans who paid a gross gate $1,479 standing in every round until the fifth when Baldoni's heavier onslaughts made the difference. Tony proceeded to go to town for good in the fourth round after dropping the first three chuckers on all three officials' cards and wound up dropping Cunningham five times in the fifth. The last knockdown came at the bell with Eddie Leonard immediately stopping the fracas.

This was the initial offering of promoter Al Flora.

In the semi-final six, Walter Brown, Baltimore's outstanding lightweight, came off the floor after dropping his foe, Ike Lofton, twice previously in the first canto and weathered the storm. In the second, Brown dropped his Philadelphia opponent with a right uppercut that ended the fight.

In a heavyweight melee, Ernie Knox defeated Rudy Watkins in the second sixer, both are local lads.

Buddy Kane decisioned Earl Taylor in another heavy go in a four rounder with lots of lusty punching. Both lads hail from Baltimore.

Johnny Gilden, Baltimore welterweight, made an auspicious debut in the pro ranks with a two round kayo over Lorenzo Shelley, also of Baltimore.

Charley Little, Baltimore middleweight, stopped Jimmy Foust, of New York city, in the fourth round.

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THE FIVE ROUNDER

By BEN OLAN

So you think you're a boxing expert? Then get ready to put on the gloves and start swinging. "The Five Rounder" is designated to see how much you know about the fight game and, at the same time, enable you to engage in a simulated bout.

Each round in the quiz has three multiple choice questions. You win the round by answering at least two questions in each round correctly.

If you win three or more rounds, you win the fight.

Ready? Come out punching at the bell. The decision is on page 66.

ROUND ONE

1. Only one among the current world champions is undefeated as a professional. Is he:

a–Floyd Patterson? b–Hogan (Kid) Bassey? c–Pascual Perez?

2. Lightweight king Joe L. Brown has defended successfully his title four times, most recently against Ralph Dupas. In other defenses he also whipped Wallace (Bud) Smith and Orlando Zulueta. Was the fourth challenger:

a–Orlando Echeverria? b–Joe Lopes? c–Armand Savoie?

3. Only a handful of college students went on to gain stature in boxing. Two of them fought for the heavyweight championship. One was Roland LaStarza. Was the other one:

a–Billy Conn? b–Tommy Loughran? c–Bob Pastor?

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ROUND TWO

1. Joe Louis was floored 10 times during his illustrious career. One among these boxers did NOT floor the Brown Bomber. Was he:

a–Buddy Baer? b–Ezzard Charles? c–Jim Braddock?

2. The last American boxer to hold the world bantamweight champiaonship was a native of California. He won it in 1942, lost it and then regained it in 1947 and then lost it for good in 1950. Was he:

a–Manuel Ortiz? b–Rinty Monaghan? c–Harry Jeffra?

3. The only British fighter ever to hold the world light-heavyweight title was Freddie Mills. He won it in 1948. Did he win it from:

a–Melio Bettina? b–Gus Lesnevich? c–John Henry Lewis?

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ROUND FIVE

1. Identify this one-time lightweight contender. He started his pro career in 1924 and met such outstanding opponents as Barney Ross, Tony Canzoneri and Jimmy McLarnin. He was nicknamed the "Fargo Express." Was he:

a–Bat Battalino? b–Jackie Kid Berg? c–Billy Petrolle?

2. A former California heavyweight king, still active, who adopted the name of an ex-heavyweight champion is:

a–Young Jack Dempsey? b–Young Jack Johnson? c–Young Joe Louis?

3. The youngest fighter ever to win the world heavyweight crown was:

a–Rocky Marciano? b–Floyd Patterson? c–Joe Louis?

ROUND THREE

1. Floyd Patterson was considered such an overwhelming favorite over Pete Rademacher that no odds were quoted on the fight. The largest odds quoted in a heavyweight title bout was 20-1. Was the fight between:

a–Rocky Marciano and Don Cockell? b–Joe Louis and Harry Thomas? c–Max Baer and Jim Braddock?

2. Willie Pep is still going strong at the age of 35. He recently added to his impressive victory total by beating Joe Kelley in Boston. Did this triumph put his win total closer to:

a–150? b–225? c–175?

3.Only one native of Puerto Rico has ever held a world title. Is he:

a–Sixto Escobar? b–Dado Marino? c–Ceferino Garcia?

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ROUND FOUR

1. The shortest length of time the lightweight championship was held by one fighter was three months and 28 days. Was the champ with this dubious distinction:

a–Sammy Angott? b–Al Singer? c–Lauro Salas?

2. Arnold Raymond Cream is the real name of a former world champion. Was he better known as:

a–Joe Louis? b–Kid Chocolate? c–Jersey Joe Wolcott?

3. Hard-punching middleweight Rory Calhoun has lost to only two fighters during his career. One of them is Joey Giardello. Was the other one:

a–Spider Webb? b–Rocky Castellani? c–Joey Giambra?

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See page 66

A-ROUND AND A-BOUT

FEATURE

By BOB ALLEN

DOWN through the years the month of September has always been a big one for boxing. Of the eight great boxing shows that, according to Nat Fleischer's Encyclopedia, attracted box-office receipts in excess of $1,000,000, four took place in September, two in June, two in July.

Both Tunney-Dempsey fights, the Dempsey-Firpo classic, and the Joe Louis-Max Baer meeting all occurred in September.

The Louis-Billy Conn and the second Louis-Max Schmeling bouts were June events, and the Dempsey-Georges Carpentier, the Dempsey-Jack Sharkey fights took place in July.

September holds the record for attendance (first Tunney-Dempsey in Philadelphia), and for gate receipts (second Tunney-Dempsey in Chicago).

If you want to go just below the million-dollar figure (and $948,832 seems to be close enough) you come across the Rocky Marciano-Archie Moore contest and that also was a September affair. Top two events from a box-office viewpoint in divisions other than the heavyweight were Ray Robinson-Randy Turpin and first Robinson-Carmen Basilio. Both were held in September.

We make all these references to September because here we are again—September 1958—and what can we look forward to in the way of major boxing bouts? As of this writing: nothing in New York, nothing anywhere else except possibly California where Carmen Basilio will face Art Aragon in a bout of local interest but hardly history-making in significance. As for championship contests, the outlook is empty of promise.

What's the reason for this deplorable situation? Is it lack of attractive contenders? Is it television? Is it apathy on the part of fight fans? Is it promotion-failure?. Is it personality differences? Is it a combination of all these plus other reasons? We can guess—that's all.

Say, how many Rocky Marcianos are there? The only one we know is the former world heavyweight champion about whom we still read occasional hints of a comeback. There is also Rocky Marciano, Florida potato farmer. There is Rocky Marciano, vice-president of a new sports arena proposed for Monticello, N. Y. There is a Rocky Marciano who has applied for a job as scout for the Milwaukee Braves baseball team.

It may be that all these Rocky Marcianos are one and the same man. But the other day we ran across a wire-service story about Al Weill which referred to Weill as the former manager of Rocky Graziano. Pardon our confusion.

Ever hear of "Ta Chuan?" We never did either until we saw a news item in a theatrical paper which describes Ta Chuan as an ancient and a strange form of Chinese boxing in which the feet and hands are used to inflict killing blows. Guess who's learning the art? Ingrid Bergman.

Seems Ta Chuan plays an important part in a movie being screened in England and the actress is being taught how to defend herself against Chinese brigands. You'll see her demonstrating the art of Ta Chuan in a movie called *"The Inn of the Sixth Happiness."*

It used to be said of Jersey Joe Walcott, when he was world champion, as it is now said of Archie Moore, that his age was something of a mystery. No one seemed to know his exact age, and Walcott wasn't saying.

But there was a story out of Camden, N. J., recently that appears to have solved the mystery. Walcott, a special officer with the city's juvenile bureau, helped break up a teen-age brawl after a Saturday night dance in Camden. Walcott's age was mentioned in the story. It said he was 44. Since he lost his title to Marciano in 1953, five years ago, that means he was only 39 at the time. So there!

In his "Briefkase" column in the Journal-American, Max Kase revealed that Don Dunphy has just launched his 18th season as a boxing radio broadcaster. He quotes Dunphy as saying that his biggest thrill as a fight announcer was the Zale-Graziano middleweight slugfest at the Yankee Stadium in 1946; that his most embarrassing moment came after the Louis-Tami Mauriello bout the same year when Tami, speaking into Dunphy's microphone, used some mild profanity in explaining his one-round knockout.

Dunphy could also have told Kase about his audition for the broadcasting job. It was shortly after Gillette had purchased the rights from Mike Jacobs and was looking for an announcer. Some six or eight applicants tried out. Dunphy got the job not only because he called the fight so well but also because he was able to go through his entire auditioning stint without once stumbling over the names of the principals.

Think that was easy? The opponents that night were Anton Christoforidis and Gus Lesnevich. Try saying those names fast over and over. Dunphy did it and he's been a fight announcer ever since.

He's never had a world champion but he's never given up trying. We're talking about Ike Bernstein, veteran Chicago fight manager, who in some 60 years in boxing has never lost his enthusiasm, never has doubted that some day he would come up with a title-holder. Now 83 years old, Bernstein is singing the praises of a new youngster who, he feels sure, has the stuff champions are made out of. The lad is Ted Weeks, a 22-year-old middleweight who is campaigning as a prelim fighter around Chicago. We hope Ike makes it.

Our congratulations to Jesse Abramson, N. Y. Herald-Trib sports writer, for winning the E. P. Dutton Award for the best news-coverage story of 1957. Abramson's prize-winning story was his account of the first Robinson-Basilio fight in which Basilio defeated Sugar Ray for the middleweight championship.

We suppose there's some kind of irony in this, if you look for it: When Harry F. McCabe retired recently as deputy marshall in the U. S. Attorney's office, he was presented with a plaque by Judge Sylvester J. Ryan. McCabe was a professional boxer in his youth. Ryan was the judge who held against the International Boxing Club in the Government's anti-trust suit.

One of the hazards of fight promotion is the cost of transportation. When fighters have to be brought in from various parts of the country the transportation can and does mount to a considerable sum. Julius Piazza, operating in Detroit, solved this problem a few weeks ago by staging a show in which every boxer on the card was a local resident. Transportation cost: 12 bus fares.

IN AND AROUND PHILADELPHIA
By Archie Pirolli

LEN MATTHEWS, ONE OF THE MOST PROMISING BOXERS to come out of Philly in a long time, scored his 11th straight win and tenth K.O. at Connie Mack Stadium on promoter Herman Taylor's first outdoor promotion in five years. Nineteen-year-old Matthews and George Benton, Philly veteran, provided the thrills for the 8,679 paying fans. The gross gate of $37,500 was far below the expected estimated gross of $50,000 to $60,000. This was due to the newspaper strikes which hurt the attendance badly.

Gil Turner, weighing 150, and Sugar Hart, scaling 145½, fought a draw that was unpopular to the scribes and fans in the ten round windup. A poll at ringside showed Hart the winner. Referee Zach Clayton voted Hart a 48-44 margin. Judge Jim Mina scored for Turner, 46-45, Judge Nate Lopinson called it 46-46.

In the semi-final, Len Matthews, 132½, flattened a more experienced opponent, Henry (Toothpick) Brown, 136½, with a left hook on the chin at 46 seconds of the fourth round. Brown was tagged for a knockdown with a left late in the third, for an eight count. Another left hook in the fourth knocked him down flat on his back, he remained there for a long time before he was able to get on his feet. Matthews did not have it easy however. He had to live up to his reputation as a terrific puncher before he landed the crushers.

George Benton, 164, had a tough time reaching Jim Robinson, 161½. The latter, a 6-foot-2 stringbean and a terrific puncher with a long streak of knockouts to his credit, pawed with his long left and kept Benton off a distance for a few rounds. But Benton, in the third round caught up, twice dropping Robinson with left hooks for counts of eight. Early in the fourth, he rushed Robinson to the ropes and punched with both hands. Robinson, half pushed and half punched, fell through the ropes for a full count.

Jethro Cason, 135½, highly heralded as a future star, outpointed Boland Abrams, 133½, in an eight rounder. Cason, although showing effects of ring inactivity, showed enough class to be knocking at the door of top lightweights in the near future. Charley Cummings, 143½, defeated Pat O'Brien, 144, in another eight rounder. With the exception of Pat O'Brien, who hails from Galway, Ireland, all contestants are Philadelphians.

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CONNECTICUT BOXING NEWS
By Sal Giacobbe

EAST HARTFORD:—THE FOURTH ANNUAL BOXING SHOW under the auspices of the East Hartford Knights of Columbus was another success. Taking no chances on the weather, the show was put inside for the first time, in the new and spacious gym of the East Hartford High School.

In the main event of 8 rounds, Bristol's Al King, making his first appearance in a main bout, was opposed by Italian import, Corrado Mancarella, 139½, who has had several main events in this area. King, 140, who was a decided underdog, showed no respect for the veteran battler. King won so far as the scribes and crowd were concerned, but referee Addie Moore called it a draw. King was coached by the veteran Willie Pep.

In another poor decision, Referee Moore, saw Willie Eaton, 153, New Haven, winning over veteran Bobby Dalton, 151, Hartford, in the 6 round semi-final. It was another crowd pleasing battle as were the 5 semi-pro bouts that preceeded the two pro battles. No gate was announced.

▶Connecticut's popular State Athletic Commissioner, Dennis T. "Dinny" McMahon, veteran of over fifty years in boxing circles, has wound up the 1957-1958 fiscal year, in the black, something that has only been accomplished once before in the history of the Commission. Of course most of the credit must go to wrestling, which has been enjoying a banner year.

MICHIGAN FISTIC FACTS
By Jack Waina

JOHNNY POWELL, LUCKY MALIK'S PROMISING YOUNG WELTERWEIGHT, made the big news locallly the past month when he traveled to Chicago for his first main even start at the Joe Louis Gym and returned a victor by KO in three rounds over the highly touted Jerry Jordan.

▶Canadian middleweight champion Wilf Greaves, 160, now making his home in Detroit, chalked up his first victory since gaining the title, with a gruelling ten round decision over Clarence Riley, 164¾, Detroit. Both boys fought hard throughout, however, due to the poor contrast in styles the bout was far from a crowd pleaser.

Gene Greasham, 134½, Detroit, returned home from the coast and scored an excellent win over veteran Eli Leggett, 140, also of Detroit, who was making a comeback, in the six round semi-final attraction. Greasham exhibited fast hands and plenty of moxie.

Ossie Groom, 202, Detroit, and Dave Shoulders, 194, Detroit, staged a real four round war in the best bout of the evening. Ducky Dietz, 172½, Detroit, dumped Bill Clemmons, 175½, Detroit, in the first round, and Irish Billy Collins, 144½, Nashville, Tenn., scored a good win in a four over rugged Fred McCray, 149, Detroit.

▶Two six-rounders featured the bi-weekly attraction at the Motor City Arena, with the bubble of the once highly touted Osee Groom, 204, Detroit, apparently coming to an end when Joe Hemphill, 188½, Chicago, dropped Al DiNapoli's protege for an eight count in the third round to go on and soundly trounce him.

In the co-feature bout, Gene Gresham, 137, Detroit, stopped shy Sammy Allen, 137¼, Chicago, at 1:49 of the fourth when the latter's manager stepped into the ring on behalf of his charge.

▶Four rounders:—Popular kayo artist, Ducky Dietz, 173, Detroit, put the finis on Willie Washington, 180, Chicago, at 2:11 of the opening round; Ernest Hill, 159½, Detroit, managed to weather a hectic last round knockdown to edge out Archie Whitfield, 162¼; Don Deters, 168½, Detroit, made his professional debut by ending the seven bout win streak of Jimmy Wright, 176, Saginaw; and Ervin Smith, 160, Detroit, outstumbled Elmer Shippe, 156, Chicago.

▶Finis for this month, but in the meantime this writer can be reached at 8799 Homer Avenue, Detroit 9, Michigan.

SOUTHERN OHIO JABS
By J. Jimmie Amann

Veteran boxing man Tony Warndorf was granted a license to operate after a five month waiting period with his application on file with the City Commission.

Warndorf needs no introduction to boxing. He has been connected with the sport since his boyhood days in every capacity. During the past few years Tony has confined his activities to refereeing.

Sam Becker is hospitalized. His illness seems to be more serious than anticipated. . . . Carmine Iaocubucci, local lightie back from the West Coast, is hankering for a main event on a Warndorf production. . . . my boxing letter weekly at ten dollars per year going better than ever. . . . address me at 6716 Palmetto St., Cincinnati, 27, Ohio. . . . this address also for managers wishing to contact promoter Warndorf or looking for national bookings.

IN AND AROUND CHICAGO
By Lenny Myers

The International Boxing Club presented Rory Calhoun against Bobby Boyd at Chicago Stadium in their nationally televised Wednesday Night series. The bout was a rematch, the first was won by Calhoun some time ago, it ended in a knockout for Calhoun in round two but this time Rory took a ten round decision with ease. Boyd was down three times during the match but came on strong in the tenth round and had Calhoun on the verge of a knockout.

In other bouts, George Reiter, 126, St. Paul, outpointed Willie Nelson, 126, South Haven, Michigan, in six fast rounds. Ted Meeks, 161, Chicago, stopped Roger Johnson, 162, St. Paul, in the third round. Sonny Ray, 169, Chicago, defeated Rudy Williams, 170, New York, in six heats. Eddie Perkins, 136, Chicago, beat Candy McFarland, 138, New York, in the eight-round semi-final bout. Perkins appears as an outstanding prospect.

▶Two fighters from this area appear to have outstanding ability. They are Johnny Gray, heavyweight, and Eddie Perkins, lightweight. Gray, in his last two starts scored upset wins over Ernest Terrell and Crowe Peele. Perkins has scored victories over Carlo Sario, Chuck Atkins, and stopped Willie Dillon. Both boys are under management of Frank (Silver Fox) Tomaso, veteran Chicago boxing manager.

▶The three Gymnasiums are operating full blast in the windy city. Over on the south side Johnny Coulon, former world's bantamweight champion, has his club going from morning until night. A few miles away the Joe Louis' Gym, under the management of Larry Amadee, is a beehive for activity. The north side Gym is the large and beautiful Mid-West Gym under the capable hands of Nessie Blumenthal, veteran boxing manager.

UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES
By Tom Ephrem

BOXING FANS in Miami Beach (and Miami) are keeping keen tabs on a pair of young pugilists who practically received their boxing baptism on Chris Dundee's shows down there. Yama Bahama and Gomeo Brennan are the boxers in mind. Each is making good strides towards top recognition. Yama and Gomeo headed a card apiece on Dundees recent presentations and scored victories. The Bahama battler ripped into former welterweight champion Kid Gavilan and took a 10 rounder, while Bimini's Brennan stomped Jimmy Archer in the other 10.

▶Kid Gavilan to retire? After the 10 round beating handed the former boss of the 147 pounders by Yama Bahama, the Kid's management and the fighter himself was giving it some thought. Bahama's trigger-like shots found their mark in combinations way before Gavilan could move away or block the punches as back in his early days. Ten rounds of this and you could pile points to please for Yama and the unanimous decision was but a matter of formality for Referee Jimmy Peerless and Judges Eddie Thal and Stu Winston.

Though lop-sided the score, the fight was well received by the 2,306 customers. They paid $6,288.

A four rounder pitted big Dick Tobin, 202, of the Miami Beach police force against Gordon Pouliot, small 176½, Miami policeman, and Tobin copped the decision, an unpopular verdict. Rocky Ferguson, 145, Nassau, took six from Jimmy Ford, 135, Miami. Sal Fuentes, 158, of Havana, won six from Ray Sheppard, 152½, San Francisco. Duane Simpson, 141½, Opa-Locka, earned a four from Alex Frank, 140½, of Miami Beach. Levi Pearson, 162½, Miami, TKOed Joe Mitchell, 162, same city, in three.

▶If Jack Britton, one of boxing's all-time greats and a former welterweight champion reads this here, we'd like to have him drop me word so that I can contact him.

▶A second round assault with heavy rights to the head leading the way was the noise heard at Miami Beach. These punches actually paved to victory for up-and-coming Gomeo Brennan, 149½, over Jimmy Archer, 148½, of New York, in a 10 round headliner arranged by Promoter Chris Dundee. Jimmy was never in the running. Just about all 10 cantos were taken by the boxer from Bimini and his record reads now 29 wins against three losses. In racking up his tenth straight, Gomeo showed he is coming along nicely. Chris' gate was $3,219.04.

Miamians James (Silky) Shelton, 147¼, and Bobby Shaw, 151½, collided in four with Jimmy winning. James Thomas, 154, Miami, and Ray Sheppard, 160, San Francisco, met in an even-stephen four. Billy Orais, 136½, Homestead AFB, grabbed a four from Eddie Ludlow, 132, Miami. Duane Simpson, 143, Miami, and townsman Kenny Sulzman, 142, clashed in four, with Simpson winning. Jo Jo Jordan, 160¼, Miami, beat Clarence (Cat) Robinson, 160½, Miami and Jacksonville, in a six rounder.

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NEWS OF THE BRITISH ISLES

By JOHNNY SHARPE

WHITE CITY—LONDON—A new British and Empire Heavyweight Champion was crowned when young Brian London, Blackpool, 204, emulated his Dad, Jack London, by winning the Lonsdale Belt that has Father's name embodied on it. Brian's father defeated Freddie Mills at Manchester for the British Heavyweight title.

My memory goes back to that night at Belle Vue, Manchester, when two lads in short pants were standing on their ringside seats shouting encouragement. "Go On Dad." Those two lads were Jack and Brian LONDON. Brian London carved his name on the Treasured Lonsdale Belt by an eight round knockout victory over Joe Erskine of Cardiff, who was forced to take the count on one knee.

Up to the sixth round it was all Erskine, who boxed confidently and scored at will. The end was in sight during the seventh, when a clash of heads saw the Welshman emerge with a cut left eye. This spurred the hard hitting Northerner to throw right hand punches to Erskine's head that blinded his opponent.

All the World loves a fighter or PUNCHER, and if Brian London can improve with experience then we may one day acclaim a World's Champion. "Time Will Tell."

Another Champion was defeated when Pat McAteer, British Middleweight Champion, a shadow of the clever boxer we have seen in many bouts, went under to Terry Downes, Paddington, who learned his trade while serving with The United States Marines. From the start, Downes, who is no respector of reputations, waded into the champ, forcing him back around the ring, taking control for the whole of the eight rounds. It was only a matter of form for the referee to raise Downes hand as the winner. Both weighed inside 162.

Later in the evening The Master of Ceremonies, Johnny Best, announced from the ring, that Pat McAteer has decided to call it a day. It now looks like Terry Downes and Phil Edwards of Wales, will be asked by The British Boxing Board of Control, to meet for the vacant Title. If this match takes place, we are in for a treat.

Dave Charnley, British Lightweight Champion, enhanced his reputation and another step up the ladder for a crack at Joe Brown for the latter's Lightweight title, by scoring a clear points win over Joey Lopes, Sacramento, 134¾, at the end of ten hard fought rounds. . . . In the early rounds, it seemed that Lopes had found a way of handling Charnley's southpaw stance, but the Englishman was always going a little better than the Californian, who suffered a cut eye in the third. In the tenth and last round they both fought furiously with Charnley sustaining a badly cut eye, but this had no effect on the decision as Charnley was a clear winner.

Mike Holt, South Africa, 172, gained a clear points win over Yolande Pompey, Trinidad, 170½, who although fighting back was always behind on points in a bruising ten rounder. . . . Dave Stone, Battersea, 139½, Ex Amateur Champion for the past two years, made as his entry as a professional by scoring a good points win over Terry Banning, Leamington, 140, in six.

Billy Wadham, Tottenham 147¾, scored a knockdown over Ron Richardson, Canning Town, 148¾, in the third, but had to be contented with a points win in six.

Basil Kew, Putney, 186, is a popular performer at Jack Solomon's promotions, for in his "Clowning" activities, he always gives the public a Laugh. Over six rounds, he outpointed George Cooper, St. Mary Cray, to the satisfaction of the crowd who showered the ring with "Nobbins."

Nat Fleischer paid us one of his periodical visits, and was greeted by old acquaintances around the ringside.

▶ HAMILTON. . . . It was experience that won Chick Brogan, Clydebank, a points decision over John O'Brien Glasgow, at the end of eight rounds. . . . He allowed O'Brien to make the pace in the early rounds, and then countered successfully to enable him to score without taking too much out of himself. . . . By his victory over his Scottish Rival, Brogan will now meet Charlie Hill for the latter's British featherweight title.

Chic Calderwood, Craigneuk, 170¼, won a hollow victory when he forced Clark Mellor, Stockport, 182, to retire at the end of the first. . . . Billy Rafferty, Glasgow, 118¾, had a narrow call against Danny McNamee, Dundee, 117½, in their eight rounder. He won by a small margin.

Alex Ambrose, Glasgow, 113¾, defeated Tommy Armour, Belfast, 108, in the fourth, when the latter was forced to retire with a cut eye. Armour was in the lead at the end of the fourth. Colin Moore, Derby, 145¼, made it fifteen in a row when he narrowly outpointed Tommy Cavan, Glasgow, 146¾, in six terrific rounds.

▶ WEST HARTLEPOOL. . . . George Bowes, 118¾, The West Hartlepool bantam kept his unbeaten certificate when he gained a clear points win over Alex Bollaert, Belgium, 117½, in eight. . . . Bryon Hollingsworth, Trinidad, 137, and Peter Heath, Coventry, 135, fought six all-action rounds to a draw.

Ken Harvey, Thornley, 161, stopped Edmund Mason, Trinidad, 161, in the seventh, after the latter had suffered a damaged eye, and the referee intervened in Harvey's favour. . . . Johnny Bambrough, West Hartlepool, 130, knocked out Tommy Foley, Dublin, 129, in the fourth. . . . Ron Cowley, Sunderland, 142, stopped Billy Walsh, West Hartlepool, 147, in the fourth.

▶ BELFAST . . . Michael Feeney, Bambridge, 126½, and Trevor Martin, Bangor, 127, fought furiously for eight rounds with the referee unable to part them on his score and when a draw was announced, the crowd cheered them for their performance. . . . Sam Thompson, Belfast, 150, outpointed Paddy McAuley, Belfast, 150, after a hard fought eight.

Paddy Kelly, Derry, 128, stopped Bernie Feeney, Bambridge, 127, in the second. . . . Roy Sanlon, Belfast, 138½, outpointed Jim Loughins, Belfast, 140, in eight. . . . Tommy Larmour, Belfast, 140, was a very lucky winner over Martin Duffy, Belfast, 142, for the winner had taken four counts in the second round and again in the third, but when Duffy received a badly cut eye the referee intervened in favour of Lamour.

▶ CARLISLE. . . . Brian Jones, Nottingham, 133½, and Ray Ashie, Ghana, 134¼, fought eight hard rounds to a draw. . . . Ron Jackson, Newcastle, 147½, outpointed Tex Williams, Carlisle, 145¾, in six. . . . Freddie Bancroft, Cockermouth, 128, was too good for Billy Adams, Newcastle, 129, and when the latter received a badly cut eye in the third, the referee stopped the bout.

Billy Knight, Newcastle, 117, defeated Gerry Jones, Wigan, 119½, in the fourth, when the latter received two badly cut eyes. . . . John Routledge, Ambleside, 158, outpointed Gordon Mason, Manchester, 155, in a rousing four rounder.

▶ **BELFAST.** . . . Billy Skelly, Belfast, 125½, scored a surprise win over the much fancied Gil Neill, Belfast, 128, in eight . . . Neill could not cope with the southpaw stance of Skelly, who forced Neill on the defensive from the first to the last gong.

Gerry Hassett, Belfast, 161¾, outpointed Peni Latu, Tonga, in eight hard hitting rounds. Jim Loughlins, Belfast, 140, scoring with effective body blows, well earned the points decision at the end of eight rounds, against Bobby Griffin, Carrickfergus, 140. . . . Roy Sanlon, Belfast, 136, stopped Pat Loughran, Belfast, 137, in the sixth.

▶ **WEMBLEY.** . . . Billy Keirnan, Hammersmith, 146, stopped Joe Rufus, Nigeria, 148½, in the third, when the latter suffering from a badly cut mouth, was forced to retire. . . . Billy Cornelius, Lambeth, 176, gained sweet revenge over Phil Harrington, Guildford, 175, who was forced to retire with a badly cut eye after 2:40 of the first round. . . . In their previous bout, Harrington was the winner in the same manner.

Alex Bryant, Islington, 127¼, knocked out Terry Rees, Catford, 127, in the fourth. . . . Ray Nash, Wembley, 134½, was too experienced for Johnny Summers, Islington, 135¾, and the latter was forced to take the fatal count in the sixth and final round. . . . Maxie Beech, Chiswick, 161¼, knocked out Joe Pyle, Morden, 156¾, in the second. . . . Terry Lake, Morden, 144½, outpointed Mick Robbins, Camberwell, 147, in six. . . . Mick D'Arcy, Royston, 132½, outpointed George Hiriat, Christchurch, 132, in six.

▶ **CANNING TOWN.** . . . Boswell St. Louis, Trinidad, 144¼, was held to a draw by Terry Gill, West Ham, 148, Southern Area Welterweight Champion, in eight fast and interesting rounds. . . . Dave Stone, Battersea, 138½, won convincingly over Cliff Brown, Northampton, 138½, when the referee intervened in the third to save Brown from further punishment.

Johnny Warner, Hanwell, 137¼, made a successful debut in the paid ranks with a points win over the more experienced Billy Goodwin, Bermondsey, 136, in six. . . . George Cottle, Bermondsey, 138½, outpointed Earl Reefer, Trinidad, 139½, in six. . . . Gus Harry, Ghana, 147½, knocked out George Jeffreys, Kilburn, 147, in the fourth.

Laci Tomazi, a refugee from Hungary, 161¾, looking fit to fight for a Kingdom, was too strong for Gordon White, Kennington, 157½, and the latter was knocked out in the fourth. This was Tomazi's first professional bout.

▶ **NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB, . . . LONDON.** . . . Phil Edwards, Cardiff, 158½, was in rare form against the Frenchman, Jacques Barlet, 157¾, and was dealing out considerable punishment until referee Jack Hart came to the latter's assistance in the seventh by stopping the bout in favor of the Welshman. . . . Bobby Neill, Edinburgh, 127, carried too many guns for Con Mount Bassey, Birmingham, 126, and it was no surprise when the latter retired at the end of

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

(to June 21, 1958)

HEAVYWEIGHTS	CRUISERWEIGHTS	MIDDLEWEIGHTS	WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Brian London (E)	Yvon Durelle (C)	Dick Tiger (N)	Johnny van Rensberg (SA)
2. George Chuvalo (C)	Johnny Halifihi (To)	Yama Bahama (B)	George Barnes (A)
3. Joe Erskine (W)	Mike Holt (SA)	Clive Stewart (A)	Joe N'Gidi (SA)
4. Joe Bygraves (J)	Randy Turpin (E)	Wilf Greaves (C)	Attu Clottey (G)
5. Dick Richardson (W)	Yolande Pompey (T)	Phil Edwards (W)	Gale Kerwin (C)
6. Henry Cooper (E)	Jack Whittaker (E)	Martin Hansen (E)	Darby Brown (A)
7. Kitione Lave (To)	Ron Redrup (E)	Terry Downes (E)	Tommy Molloy (E)
8. Gawie de Klerk (SA)	Sammy Langford (N)	Billy McDonnell (A)	Jimmy Newman (E)
9. Allan Williams (A)	Al Sparks (C)	Freddie Cross (W)	Sandy Manuel (N)
10. Sifa Kivalu (To)	Arthur Howard (E)	John McCormack (S)	Mick Leahy (I)
LIGHTWEIGHTS	**FEATHERWEIGHTS**	**BANTAMWEIGHTS**	**FLYWEIGHTS**
1. Willie Toweel (SA)	Hogan Bassey (N)	Peter Keenan (S)	Dennis Adams (SA)
2. Dave Charnley (E)	Percy Lewis (T)	Freddie Gilroy (I)	Frank Jones (S)
3. Richie Howard (C)	Pete Kawala (C)	George Bowes (E)	Len Reece (W)
4. Lud. Lightburn (BH)	Roy Jacobs (N)	Terry Spinks (E)	Lloyd Gordon (C)
5. Ron Hinson (E)	Johnny Howard (E)	Dick White (A)	Malcolm McLeod (I)
6. George Bracken (A)	Ayree Jackson (G)	Johnny Morrissey (S)	Warner Batchelor (A)
7. Max Carlos (A)	Charlie Hill (S)	Jimmy Carson (I)	John Caldwell (I)
8. Russell Sands (A)	Garry Simpson (C)	Pat Supple (C)	Little Joe (G)
9. Billy Kelly (I)	Saxton Mabena (SA)	Graham van de Walt (SA)	Ado Garuba (G)
10. Johnny Linda (SA)	John O'Brien (S)	Billy Rafferty (S)	Bindi Jack (A)

LEGEND—(A) Australia; (B) Bahamas; (BG) British Guiana; (C) Canada; (E) England; (F) Fiji Islands; (G) Ghana; (IN) India; (I) Ireland; (J) Jamaica; (M) Malta; (N) Nigeria; (NZ) New Zealand; (S) Scotland; (SA) South Africa; (T) Trinidad; (TO) Tonga; (W) Wales.

the fourth of an action fight.

Robbie Wilson, Dagenham, 127¼, outclassed Trevor Jenkins, Newport, 129½, and referee Pat Mills stopped the uneven bout in the second. . . . Ron Warnes, Erith, 145, knew too much for Mick Davis, Walthamstow, 143, and was a worthy points winner in six. . . . Harry Carroll, Cardiff, 117¾, outpointed Chris Elliott, Leicester, 118½, in six.

▶ **SHOREDITCH.** . . . Bobby Neill, Edinburgh, 127½, continues his comeback with inside the distance wins. His opponent, Andy Hayford, Ghana, 127, after putting up a creditable display for three rounds, refused to come out fighting in the fourth, claiming that he had hurt his right hand; referee Bill Williams would not accept his plea, and promptly disqualified Hayford.

Dave Stone, Battersea, 136¾, did a good job in stopping Arthur Burley, Wolverhampton, 136, in the third. . . . Eddie West, Bethnal Green, 128, looked a good winner at the end of six rounds against Phil McGrath, Halifax, 129¼, but the referee's decision was McGrath "The Winner". This brought a loud shout from the fans until it was announced that they would meet in a return at the next show.

Paul Gormley, Canterbury, 160½, outstayed Ray Ward, Manchester, 160½, in their six round slug-fest, and he was returned the winner. . . . Dennis Coles, Camden Town, 128¼, outpointed Peter Hibbert, Kensington, 129½, in six. . . . Maxie Beech, Chiswick, 160¾, outpointed Gordon White, Kennington, 158, in six.

▶ WEST HARTLEPOOL. . . . Roy Jacobs, Nigeria, 127½, boxed well to gain a merited points decision over John O'Brien, Glasgow, 126, after eight entertaining rounds. . . . Chic Calderwoon, Craigneuk, 169, was a trifle lucky to keep his unbeaten certificate, when the referee judged him to have outpointed Neville Rowe, Australia, 176, at the end of six hectic rounds. Calderwood thus retains his 100% record, ten out of ten wins.

Over-impetuousness cost Byron Hollingsworth, Trinidad, a good win over Johnny Bamborough, West Hartlepool, 134, for the latter was on the receiving end, and was down for two counts, the last one in the second round, and Hollingsworth swung a left to his opponent's head, which was against all rules, and referee Tom Watson had no option but to disqualify the colored lad. . . . Ron Cowley, Sunderland, 140, stopped Ernest Close, Stockton, 133, in the first. . . . Johnny Kilburn, Leeds, 135, stopped Gordon Teesdale, Middlesborough, 142, in the fourth.

▶ FRYSTON. . . . Sifa Kivalu, 196¾, Tonga, knocked out Fred Powell, London, 209, in the seventh. . . . It took all that time for the Togan to catch up with the fleet footed Londoner. . . . Brian Husband, Hull, 149¼, stopped Esso Lamptey, Ghana, 148¼, in the second. Eddie O'Connor, Dublin, 118½, was an easy winner over Eddie Barraclough, Rotherham, 116¾, the latter was out of his class, and it was a relief when the referee intervened in the second round to save him from further punishment.

Trevor Sykes, Huddersfield, 160, and Peni Latu, Tonga, 156½, fought a draw in six. . . . Fatayi Paso, Nigeria, 160¾, stopped Danny Morgan, Featherstone, 166, in the third.

▶ NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB. . . . LONDON. . . . George Carroll, Covent Garden, Southern Area Featherweight Champion, defeated Ron Jones, West Ham, in the seventh. Referee Mick Fox after examining the cut below Jones's eye, immediately stopped the bout in favor of Carroll. Both lads were inside 128.

Malcolm McLeod, Coventry, 110¼, was too good for the up and coming young Irish lad, Mick Barone, 107½, and was a clear points winner in eight. . . . Frank Spencer, Wolverhampton, 114¼, and Billy Downer, Stoke Newington, 115¼, drew in six. . . . Johnny Brittle, Walsall, 113½, stopped Mark Quinn, Leystone, 114, in the third, when the latter received a badly cut eye. . . . Johnny Summers, Islington, 135, was fortunate to receive the full honors against Peter Heath, Coventry, 133, in six.

▶ EMPRESS HALL, London. . . . Hogan Bassey, Nigeria, World's Featherweight Champion, won easily over Jules Touan, Abidjan, when Referee I. K. Powell of Wales stopped the one-sided bout in the seventh. The French West African was outclassed, and had taken several counts. In round six, Bassey after putting Touan on the canvas with a left to the jaw, kept up his body punching and the latter sank to the canvas. Instead of going to a neutral corner, the Champ continued to punch the fallen boxer while he was down, until the referee jumped between them, sending Bassey to the furthest corner. Bassey in the seventh then showed his class, for he put Touan down for five counts before the referee intervened. . . . Both boxers weighed inside 128.

Dave Charnley, British lightweight champion, enhanced his reputation and took another step up the lightweight ladder when he scored a clear points win over Joey Lopes of America at White City, London.

In one of the best middleweight bouts seen in Great Britain, was that between Ellsworth "Spider" Webb, Chicago, and Dick Tiger, Nigeria, Middleweight Champion of The British Empire. Throughout the ten rounds the capacity crowd was treated to a classic. Webb, who is rated fifth best in "The Ring's" World's Ratings, gave a brilliant exhibition of boxing and fighting that has rarely seen in these days of "slugging". In meeting Dick Tiger, who has improved out of all knowledge in the last twelve months, he found a battler who is no respecter of reputations, for the latter attempted to corner the fast moving Chicago Middleweight from the start. It was a case of "Brain versus Brawn" with Webb supplying the Brains. Webb scaled 159½, Tiger scaled 161¾.

▶ I wrote some time ago that Willie Pastrano made a big impression in his British debut, and now I claim that "Spider" Webb made a bigger hit with the British fans. He will always be welcomed in any show this side of the Atlantic.

Both Johnny Halifihi, Tonga, 172¼, and Ron Redrup, West Ham, 169½, served the fans with another "Humdinger", it was surprising how southpaw Redrup stood up to the right hand blows of the hard hitting Togan. He not only did, but towards the end when Halifihi seemed to be tiring, he almost brought off a big surprise, he pummelled the Tongan in the last round, the eighth, but Halifihi had won nearly all of the early rounds by a good margin.

David Oved, Israel, 128¾, defeated Johnny Howard, Holloway, 126, in the fourth, when the latter was disqualified for persistent holding. Oved was the better boxer till the termination, and was all set for a points win. . . . Albert Carroll, Bethnal Green, 147¾, put a dent into the record of the undefeated and promising Nottingham Welterweight, Wally Swift, 145¾, in their eight round bout. Carroll was too smart a boxer to be caught by the hard hitting Swift. . . . Len Barrow, Sqansen, 161¾, gave a boxing lesson to Al Bereti, Seven Dials, 160, in six.

▶ GLASGOW. . . . Sammy Docherty's Promotion was filled to capacity when he staged the Jimmy Carson, Belfast, 119,-Johnny Morrissey, Newarthill, 119, contest over eight rounds at The Kelvin Hall. The twenty year old Scot rose to occasion by scoring a great win over the Irish lad who holds a decision over the World's Bantam Champion, Alphonse Halimi. . . . Carson took the first three rounds by virtue of a straight left, hitting the bobbing and weaving of Morrissey as he straightened up. From the fourth onwards the Scot took command with heavy rights to the head.

The seventh was a bad round for Carson, for the now relentless Scot was throwing plenty of "leather", one hard right hit the Irish lad on the chin which forced him to stagger back and sink to the canvas for a count of nine. . . . They both fought furiously in the final round with the large crowd cheering.

The raising of the Scot's hand was a mere formality, and the large crowd gave him a great ovation as he left the ring.

Dennis Adams, South Africa, British Empire Flyweight Champion, stopped Silas Boko, Nigeria, in the sixth, when referee Frank Wilson intervened when the latter was too far behind on points, and showed no sign of being able to cope with the attack of the South African. Both weighed inside 114.

Johnny Caldwell, Belfast, 111¼, defeated Michel Lamora, France, 113¼, in the fourth, when the latter retired with a damaged shoulder. . . . In what can best be described as one of the hardest fought bouts seen in a Scottish ring, was served up by Dave Mooney, Wishaw, 172½, and Billy Ellaway, Liverpool, 176½, with neither giving a "Hoot" for science or trying to make his opponent miss a punch. Both suffered facial damage, and the climax came in the last round, the eighth, when Mooney managed to drop Ellaway with a battery of blows for "nine", again soon after he was on the deck again, but this time he failed to beat the fatal count. . . . Derry Treanor, Glasgow, 120, outpointed Kimpo Amarfio, 117½, in eight.

▶ BELFAST. . . . Dave Croll, Dundee, 126, hung the K.O. sign on the chin of young Paddy Kelly, Derry, 126, in the fourth. . . . Pat Marley, Belfast, 136, stopped Jimmy Ballintyne, Paisley, 133¼, when the referee intervened in his favor in the third. . . . Ray Bond, Belfast, 139½, stopped Jim Loughins, Belfast, 140, in the fourth, when the latter retired. . . . Bernie Feeney, Bambridge, 127½, deserved his points win over George Watson, Belfast, 130, at the end of eight hard fought rounds. . . . Tommy Larmour, Belfast, 140, knocked out Jack O'Brien, Belfast, 140, in the second.

▶ BIRMINGHAM. . . . Irish born Mick Leahy, domiciled in Coventry, created a surprise by outpointing and outpunching Boswell St. Louis, Trinidad, in eight rounds of a welterweight bout. St. Louis was slow off the mark. This enabled the Irish lad to have a slight lead, and he increased this when he outfought his opponent in the latter rounds.

Howard Turpin, Leamington, Son of Dick & nephew of Randolph, got off to a bad start in his professional debut when he was knocked out in the fifth by Billy Riley, Bootle, this was a middleweight bout. . . . Ronnie Vale, Leamington, outpointed Fatai Paso, Liverpool, in a middleweight bout of six rounds.

Freddie Bancroft, Carlisle, outpointed Colin Calcombe, Smethwick, in a featherweight bout over six rounds. . . . The promising welterweight Tony French, Woking, scored another good win, when he stopped Steve McManus, Manchester, in the fifth. . . . Tony Mulloland, Birmingham, stopped Brian Spragg, Birmingham, in the second of a lightweight contest.

SWINGS AND HOOKS FROM CENTRAL OHIO

By Less Huffman

WILLIAM A. (BILLY) WEEKS OF SPRINGFIELD, OHIO who won the amateur middleweight championship in 1910 and later turned pro, died on June 8 at the Clark County Home. Weeks was 70 years old.

▶ Joe Perrone of Steubenville, one of the few managers in Ohio still operating, has come up with a good looking bantamweight in Walt Ingram, who recently defeated Pappy Gault in a twelve rounder. Ingram now has 15 wins and 2 losses as a pro. Perrone also handles Johnny Hayser, a former U. S. national amateur champion.

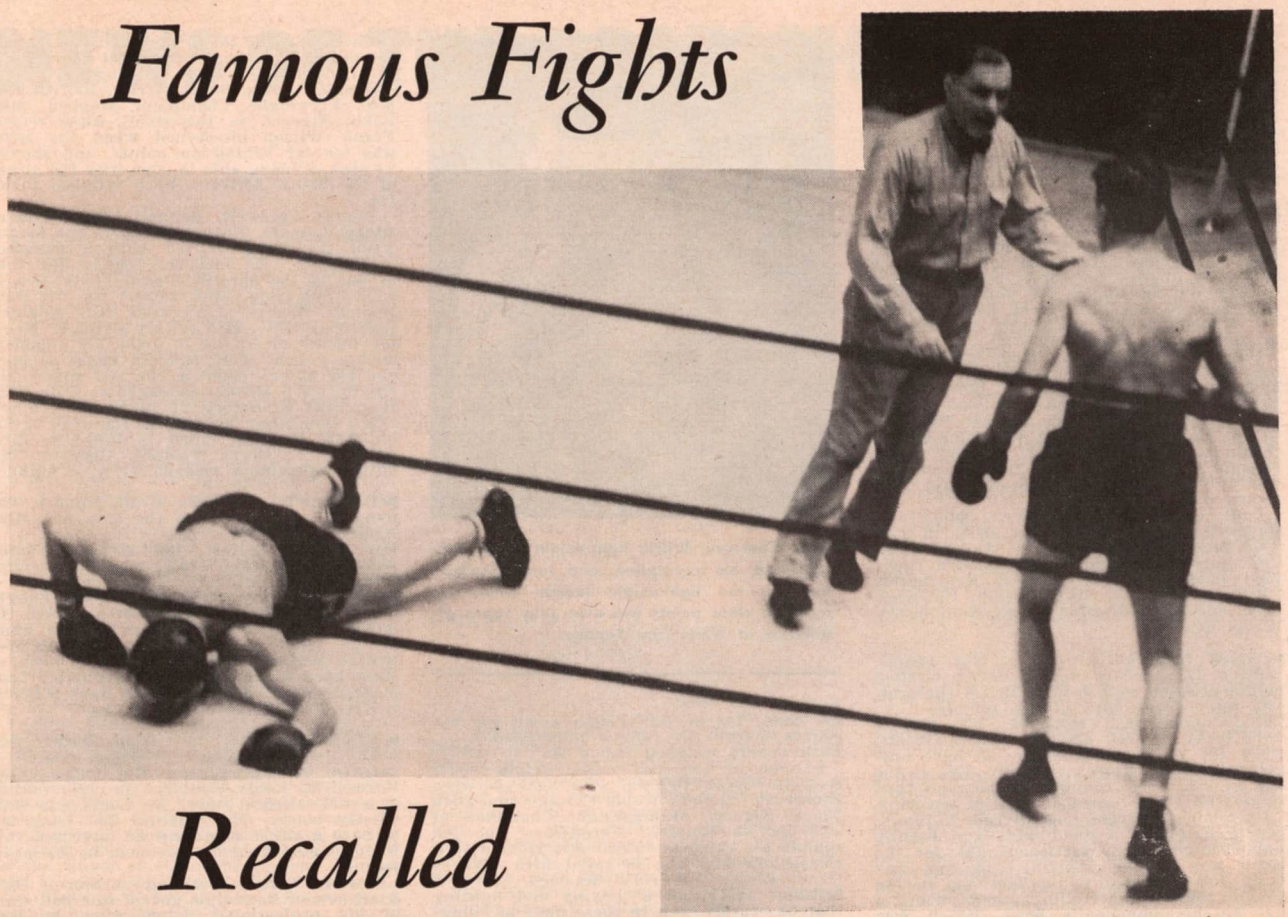
LOUISVILLE, KY. BOXING NEWS

By Joe Martin

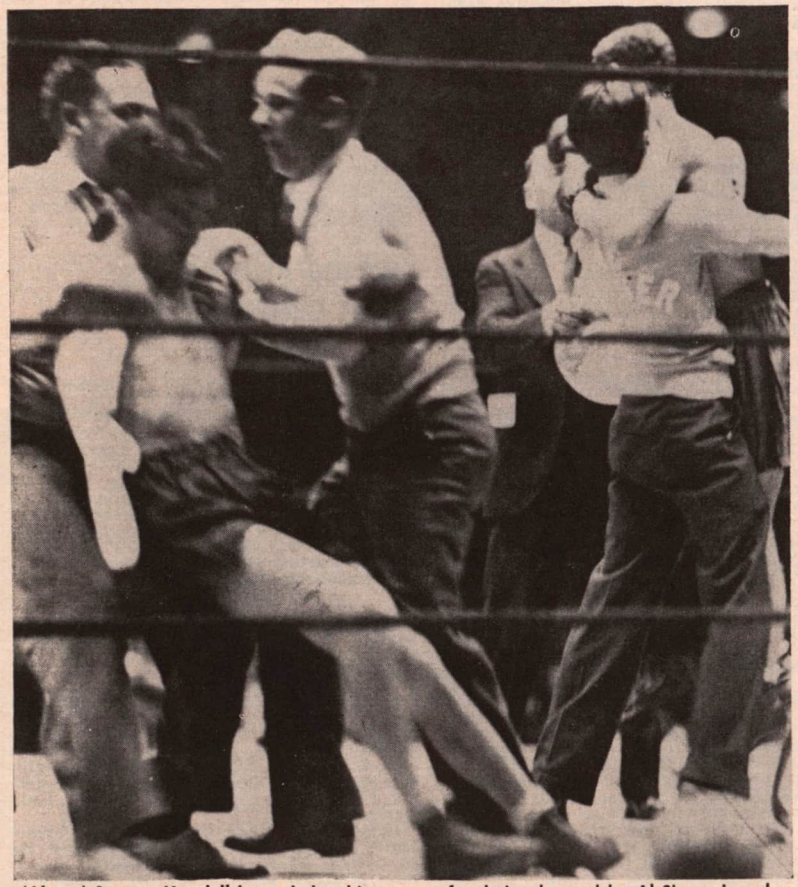
AT THE JEFFERSON CO. ARMORY IN LOUISVILLE, KY., Rudell Stitch convincingly beat Duke Harris, a most worthy opponent, one, who two months ago lost a split-decision to Sugar Hart. The Louisville boy started throwing leather with the opening bell. Stitch came in at 146 and Duke Harris at 147.

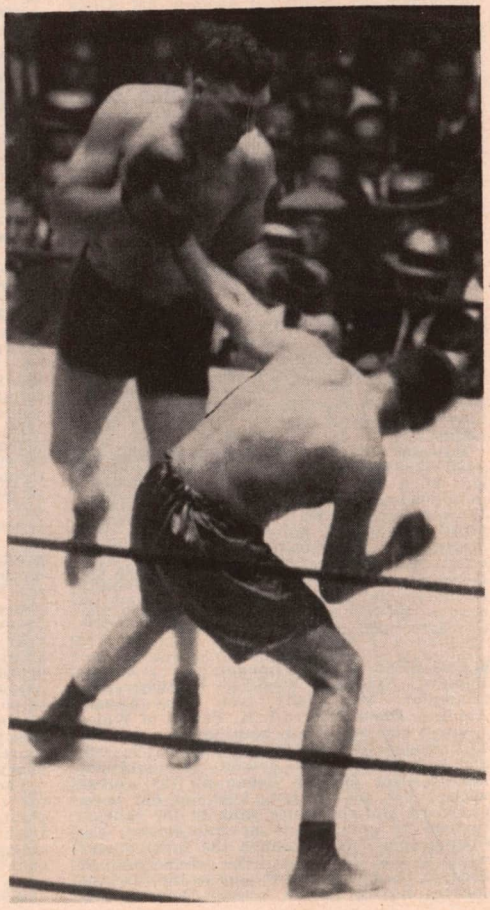
In the pleasing preliminaries, former Louisvillian Gene Gresham, 134, showed the most class on the card in chalking up his 10th straight pro victory by decisioning Vern Lee, 137 of Indianapolis in six rounds. Fighting his first eight, Billy Williams, 135, of Louisville, lost a decision to Charley Smith, 137 of Detroit, Norman Boldon, 192, Chicago, scored a T.K.O. over Al Adams, 200, Louisville, in the first round and James Roberts, 164, Louisville and Jimmy Ellery, 165, Chicago, drew in six.

Famous Fights Recalled



Harry Balsamo, "The Belting Brakeman" who sent German Erich Seelig into dreamland in the first round of their Hipprodrome battle back in 1936. Harry's punching power made him a big drawing card in New York city and wherever he appeared.





(Above) Sammy Mandell is carried to his corner after being kayoed by Al Singer in only 1:46 on July 17, 1930. Singer took the lightweight crown with his stunning victory. (Right) Luis Angel Firpo, fighting out of a crouch, moves in on Giant Jess Willard during their 1923 fight in Jersey City. Jess did well in the early rounds but was stopped by Firpo in the 8th. It was his last fight. He held the world heavyweight crown from 1915 to 1919.

NEW ORLEANS AND THE SOUTH
By Ike Morales

Pete Herman, former world's bantamweight champion and an all-time great in his division, was made a lifelong member of the Louisiana State Athletic Commission, the Louisiana Legislature passing a bill to that effect. The bill was introduced by Representative Nick Lapara, who is co-manager of Charley Joseph, and passed the House unanimously. It was then passed in the Senate.

Governor Long is a great admirer of the former titleholder.

Herman has been on the commission for eight years and is currently vice-chairman of the Louisana body. He was named to the commission by Governor Earl Long and again by Governor Bob Kennon. And when Gov. Long returned to the State Capitol, he kept Herman on the commission.

The lifelong appointment makes Herman the only boxing commissioner in the United States—and probably in the world—with such an honor.

▶Before moving on to Houston for his lightweight title fight against Joe Brown, Kenny Lane worked out in New Orleans under the supervision of Charley Rodriguez, operator of Curley's Gym. Pete Petroskey, co-manager of Lane, sought out Rodriguez because of his fine work with Lane during his early fights in the Crescent City.

▶Tony Dupas, whose contrasting style to brother Ralph makes the local middleweight a pleasing fighter with boxing fans, was unable to phantom the style of Jimmy Martinez, the Glendale, Arizona, "globe-trotter," and was beaten in 10 rounds at the Coliseum.

All three officials scored Martinez the winner, with Judge Francis Kercheval giving Dupas only one round, with Jimmy the best in nine. Referee Augie Lapara had it 7-2-1, while Judge Edie Kid Wolfe tabbed it 5-3-2.

Dupas was not only annoyed from Martinez' stinging lefts, but the local boy was unable to escape the visitor's right hand smashes to the head. Tony suffered a lump the size of an egg on his left brow— a lump which he claims was the result of a butt.

Dupas, who entered the ring a 6-5 "underdog," weighed 156 pounds to Martinez' 158½.

Freddie Little, 156¼, stablemate of the Dupas brothers, kept his ring slate clean when he stopped Ike Stewart, 158, in the fourth round. It was Little's eleventh pro fight (He had no amateur experience) and his ninth knockout.

Referee Herman Dutreuix halted the uneven affair when Stewart was unable to defend himself after taking a beating earlier in the fight.

The Evans twins— Warren and Frankie— scored knockouts in supporting bouts. Warren, 149¾, stopped Joey Perez, 154, in the second round, while brother Frankie, 144, put the skids under Roland Manuel, 142, in the first round. In the opening four, Frankie Savoie, 135, won a unanimous decision over Jitterbug Smith.

Only 1043 fans were present and they paid a net gate of $1548.51 to see the ring card, a disappointing turnout.

▶Dave Dupas, 139, 21-year-old Mansura, La., lightweight, scored another upset when he won a unanimous 10-round decision over the veteran Arthur Persley, 135½, at the Coliseum arena.

Dupas, who whipped Gale Kerwin at Dallas, only to lose a close decision to the latter at Ottawa in a return bout, entered the ring a 2 to 1 "underdog". It was a close fight, with most of the milling being waged at close quarters.

On the strength of his victory, young Dupas was matched with Ludwig Lightburn, who made his local debut with a knockout over Larry Armstead earlier in the year.

Persley, inactive before the Dupas fight this year, rallied in the final round and there were some who thought this was enough to give the veteran the nod. However, Persley went into the tenth round on the short end of the tabs of the three officials.

Judge Frederick Adams secored it 5-4-1; Judge Charley Dabney had it 5-4-1-, while Referee Ernie Cojoe tabbed it 4-3-3.

A crowd of 1272 fans paid a net gate of $1690.38 to see the ring show, a losing cause for Promoters Bonnie Geigerman and Heard Ragas.

The semi-final found Joe Cook whipping Reggie Williams in five rounds. After taking the opening round, Williams was on the receiving end in the next four.

"Stringbean" Leslie, 151, stopped George Tousant, 143, in two minutes of the fourth and final round, while Joey Gleason, 169, rallied to whip Johnny Johnston, 168½, in another four rounder. Art King, 141, stopped Al Albert, 136½, in 45 seconds of the second round.

▶Al Boudreaux, rugged West Sider, whipped Don Jones, brother of "Baby Face" Jones, in a 10 rounder staged in Baton Rouge, La. It was the first pro fight staged in Baton Rouge in some time. . . . . And over at Lefayette, La., Crowe Peele, former Intercollegiate heavyweight champion from LSU, returned to the ring to whip John Hunt in 10.

BOXING BITS FROM VIRGINIA
By Jack Levinson

THE VIRGINIA STATE ATHLETIC COMMISSION, through its secretary, Mr. Don (BILL) Brennan announced the appointment of Mr. Emmett Jacobs, as the Roanoke area inspector for Boxing and Wrestling. Brennan also announced that Mr. A. N. Gibson, senior auditor for the city of Roanoke, will serve as deputy inspector. Jacobs, 46 years old, has been connected with boxing since the late 20's. He was a successful professional boxer, manager, trainer and promoter. More recently he served as coach with the Roanoke Police Athletic League, which has remained undefeated after two and a half years of boxing team competition.

▶Roanoke's Police Athletic League boxers remained undefeated after two and a half years of dual matches, but their victory string was halted at 14, by the Truax Traer A.C. who held them to a 4-4 deadlock. The matches were held in Roanoke, at the National Guard Armory, before a slim crowd of 490 paying fans.

Results: Thurman Workman, T.T.A.C. won 1st rd K.O. over Ray Struder, Roanoke. Jimmy Walsh, T.T.A.C. won dec. over Nick Nichlos, Roanoke. Fred McLeod, Roanoke won 2nd rd TKO over Dave Williams, T.T.A.C. Garland Bush, Roanoke won dec. over Charles Holstein, T.T.A.C. Louie Myers, Roanoke won dec. over Doc Fields, T.T.A.C. Louis Johnson, Roanoke won 2nd rd K.O. over Joe Lynch, T.T.A.C. Jimmy Lynch, T.T.A.C. won dec. over Jimmy Tucker, Roanoke. Wilber Taylor, T.T.A.C. won dec. over Dave Wyatt, Roanoke.

▶Efforts are being made to have professional boxing shows presented at the new auditorium, in Virginia Beach this summer season. Chris Dundee was offered the proposition to act as matchmaker.

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IT HAPPENED IN WISCONSIN
With Pinky Mitchell, former World Junior Welterweight Champion

Orville Pitts, 174½, Wisconsin light heavyweight champion, made a great many friends and lost none of his prestige in losing to Tony Anthony, 176, on a five round TKO at the Milwaukee Arena as 5423 fans who paid a gross of $17,805.70 looked on.

For the first three rounds and part of the fourth Pitts outboxed Anthony. Late in the fourth, Pitts stung by a potent left hook, changed his style and went in to slug it out with the New Yorker who dumped him twice in the frame and again twice in the fifth and referee Milt Goldstein stopped the fight.

EIGHT ROUNDS—Chuck Whittley, 173, Milwaukee, unanimous decision over Benny Mason, 176½, St. Paul.

FIVE ROUNDS—Ted Poole, New York, 173½, split decision over Eddie O'Hara, 175, Milwaukee.

FOUR ROUNDS—Billy Braggs, 136¼, Milwaukee, technical knockout over Worley Farmer, 139¾, Chicago, in 1:43 of third round.

Roger Wakefield, 166, La Crosse, unanimous decision over J. W. Lang, 173¼, Chicago.

Merlin Fink, 145, Milwaukee, technical knockout over William Farve, 146½, Chicago, in 1:16 of second round.

▶The Athletic department at the University of Wisconsin announced increased activity in boxing next fall. Three new opponents will be added. They are University of Nevada, Sacramento and California Poly. The boxers will go into action first with the annual contenders tournament on January 9 and follow with the All-University meet on Feb. 6. Intercollegiate competition will start on Feb. 13 and end with the National Collegiate Championships at Reno, Nev., in April.

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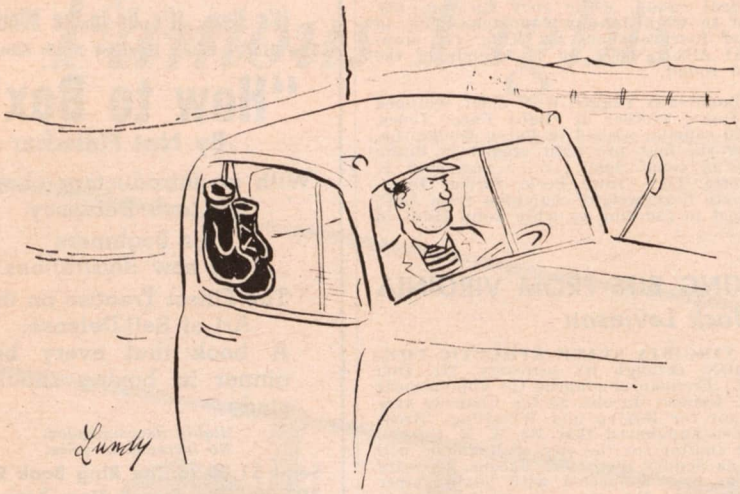

SEEN & HEARD IN N. Y.

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ter, N. Y., says he can find only 201 victories in 237 starts for Freddie Miller, not the 230 in 266 which we credited the Cincinnati southpaw in our recent feature about Willie Pep, "This Feather Still Flying." . . . The figures we used were from a newspaper yarn on Miller when he retired in 1940. . . . Keeping exact tabs on fighters' records is a difficult problem. The Ring staff is constantly checking and re-checking records, past as well as present, and there is hardly a year that we don't offer a batch of additions and corrections to previous tabulations, particularly among the old-timers whose records weren't kept too meticulously. . . . Incidently, if Miller's winning total was 201, not 230, then Pep has only Young Stribling's 222 (out of 282 fights) to beat for an all-time high in official victories. Since our article was written, Wee Willie has added three more wins to his expanding list and now boasts 216 in 225 starts.

Another long-prominent figure in Newark's boxing circles passed along when Dr. Max E. Stern, 70, died recently at his daughter's home in Tampa, Fla. For more than thirty years Dr. Stern was official physician at most of the fights staged in and around Newark, when that community was one of the liveliest boxing centers in the nation.

Still another recent New Jersey obit item reported the passing of Ralph (Roughy) Lenny, 50, of Union City, who rated as one of the cleverest lightweights in the metropolitan area during the late '20s and early '30s. Lenny was a development of Joe Jeannette's and managed by Pete Reilly. Among the better 'uns he met during his career were Sammy Mandell, Louis (Kid) Kaplan and Wesley Ramey.

GENE "ACE" ARMSTRONG

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action. *"Luckily, I'm employed,"* he sighed and smiled. *"But not boxing makes me feel real down. Still, I keep waiting and hoping."*

Gene's wife comes to see him box; but she starts crying before the bout begins. Soon, however, he hears her shouting encouragement to him. "Yes," he nodded, *"I can hear her voice above that of the crowd."*

He likes to read non-fiction; favorite music—progressive jazz. He sleeps in the nude all year round. Loves to travel and has been around. Enjoys playing with his children. *"And they like to play with me,"* added the young father. *"But—get this—their favorite playmate is our shepard dog, Lady."*

In explaining why he could not show me photos of himself as a child, and of his family, to illustrate our conversation, Gene related: *"Last winter, during a rain storm, the basement of the two-family house we occupy in Elizabeth, New Jersey, became flooded and various articles we stored there became waterlogged and completely ruined. I didn't mind it happening to most of the stuff, but the loss of valuable papers and albums of pictures I treasured—and which can never be replaced—is what I'll be mourning for a long time."*

He trains in Mooksie Daniel's Gym, in Newark.

Gene "Ace" Armstrong wishes to express, through this article, his sincere gratitude to his personal followers and to the fans in general for having shown interest in his ring career.

ROSENSOHN FIGHT PROMOTER

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than Rosensohn is likely to quit if his California promotion doesn't hit the high figures he expects.

Dempsey went out to Reno where he put Max Baer on in two shows. In one he lost a twenty round bout to Paulino Uzcudun and in the other he won a twenty rounder from King Levinsky. But in each, Jack barely got his expenses.

All of which proves that it doesn't necessarily require an international figure to stage a successful heavyweight bout. A break from the Weather Man, a couple of colorful pugilists and ballyhoo that will keep the pot boiling in the press, will suffice.

Rosensohn may be a novice in boxing promotion, but he will have plenty of color for his ballyhoo in the life of Roy Harris, excellent salesmen in Hurley and Miller and the hunger of the public for some action in the heavyweight division by the man at its head —those are most likely to yield what it takes to make the Los Angeles fight a success.

PATTERSON vs HARRIS

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of his boss. It is almost as if D'Amato has him mesmerized.

With that in mind, Patterson cannot fail himself and D'Amato. Ridiculous as it seems, he is fighting not so much for himself, for financial rewards, for his own glory, but for the cause espoused by his manager. If we've pegged it right, it is one of the strangest set-ups in the history of boxing.

Patterson is not an easy man to take on, not an easy man to take out. If Harris wants the title, and that we assume is the prime reason the Texan is in this match, he will have to battle all the way for it.

If Harris turns aggressive, Patterson will fight back. If Harris lies back, content to try to box his way to title honors, Patterson will crowd him, relentless in his determination to force the action and down his man.

This could turn out to be an action-packed, thrilling struggle, with the final outcome in doubt until the last punch is thrown.

FIVE ROUND QUIZ

ROUND ONE—c; b; c
ROUND TWO—b; a; b.
ROUND THREE—b; b (213); a.
ROUND FOUR—b; c; a.
ROUND FIVE—c; b; b.

CANADIAN MARITIMES
By Fred Bishop

HALIFAX FORUM: CAREFUL MATCH-MAKING IS KEEPING DICK HOWARD, Canadian lightweight champion, in the win column as he rolled to his second easy win of the young season. His steady punching was too much for young Johnny Juliano, Hartford, referee Frank Mackintosh stopping the one sided match midway through the seventh. Howard, 136, Juliano, 135.

Vernon Lynch, 129, Brooklyn, stole the show as he battered game but outclassed LeRoy Jones, 132 Halifax, all over the ring for a lopsided six round win.

Cecil Gray, 190, Springhill, N. S. veteran Maritime heavy, scored a six round kayo over Bob Coutu, 189, Halifax sailor, who was making his first start. George Munroe, 133, Halifax, continued on his winning ways as he opened the card with a hard fought four dec. over ring rusty Sonny Graham, 135, Dartmouth, N. S.

▶Yarmouth, N. S.: Bernie Stone, 154, Halifax, registered a fourth round T.K.O. win over veteran Bobby Leadley, 155, Dartmouth, this was a knockdown drag-em-out affair with Leadley giving Stone a very rough evening for three rounds. Referee Hal Sparke stopping the fight as Leadley could not defend himself.

Semi-final 6 saw rough Johnny Griffiths, 155, Halifax, outpoint veteran Mickey Ross, 147, Stoney Island. Griffiths scored two knockdowns in the fifth and one in the sixth.

In four round fights, Cecil Waybret, 132, Stony Island, outpointed Lou Hillard, 133, Dartmouth, and Tiger Sparks, 134, Halifax, drew with Dewey Waybret, 133, Stoney Island.

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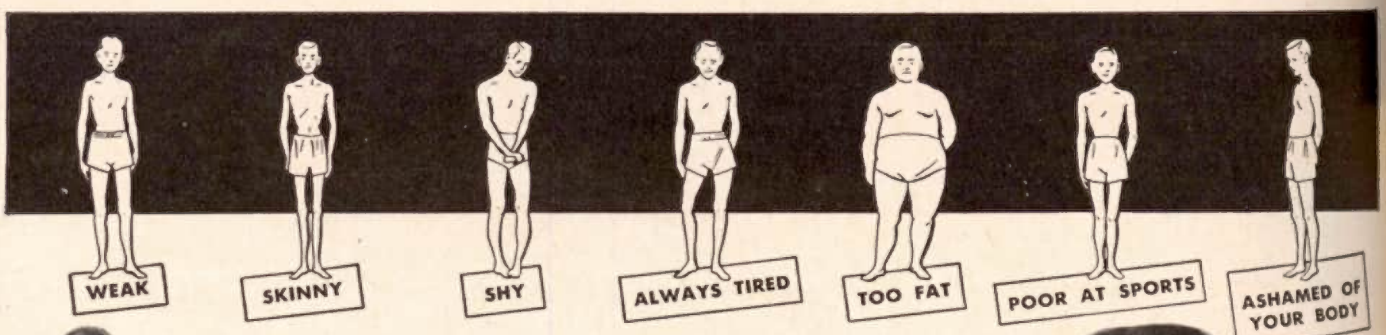

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